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COLD temperatures were ushered into the area with strong north winds and a light dusting of snow Tuesday morning. Some area school districts canceled classes for the day, but buses for Dawson Springs Independent Schools were out early picking up students. The cold temperatures are forecast to remain in the area for several days.

POTENTIAL CANDIDATES

Tuesday Is Deadline For Filing Papers

Potential political candidates must file their candidacy papers by 4 p.m. Jan. 28 in order to be placed on the ballot for the May 20 primary election.

Candidates for the following public offices must file with the secretary of state's office: U.S. senator, U.S. representative, state senator (even-numbered districts), state representative, justice of the Supreme Court (districts 1, 2, 4 and 6), judge of the Court of Appeals, circuit judge and district judge.

County and city officials file with the county clerk in the county in which they serve. All county officers and city legislative body members and several mayors will be on the ballot this year.

Nearly 4,000 candidates have already filed for the more than 300 offices on the primary ballot. Paperwork should be filed early in case corrections are necessary. Kentucky law does not provide an opportunity to correct or refile paperwork after 4 p.m. Jan. 28.

Candidates may access the filing forms required to run for offices that file with the secretary of state at http://app.sos.ky.gov/ElectionsDYC/. A list of candidates who have already filed is available at http://apps.sos.ky.gov/elections/candidatefilings/statewide/.

WORKING ON SITUATION SINCE APRIL 2012

City Makes No Headway On Cable Franchise

By Carolyn Walker

The lack of a cable franchise agreement in Dawson Springs was discussed at length by the city council at Monday night's meeting. City attorney Ben Leonard reported that he has not been able to make contact with the Time Warner representative about a renewed franchise agreement or to finalize provisions for a local payment center.

According to Mayor Jenny Sewell, the city has been working on the franchise situation since April 2012. The company wants a 20-year agreement, but Dawson Springs asked for five years. By signing a 20-year contract, the city would be locked into the technology and programming currently available.

"People want more offerings," Sewell said. "Right now that is not coming."

Sewell said some time ago she and Rhonda Mills met Linda Aines, an independent consultant specializing in cable contracts. Sewell asked if the council felt the city should use her services. While there is no guarantee that Aines can do better than what we have, without a contract, Time Warner can leave at any time.

"We're definitely at a standstill," Leonard commented.

Kenny Mitchell and Chasidy Chappell emphasized the importance of having a place in town to pay cable bills. Mitchell also noted the need for keeping local maintenance people.

The council agreed to contact Aines.

"We need a contract," Mills said.

Leonard also gave an update on efforts to improve the dilapidated housing issue. A couple of cases are pending at this time, he said, and Leonard had spoken with the mayor about adding an additional house. He expects to have a judgment in approximately two weeks.

Sewell reported on the progress made in the Jan. 1 move of emergency dispatch services to Central Dispatch in Madisonville.

"The learning curve continues," she said. "We're still tweaking through it."

The mayor and the city's fire, police and administrative team meet periodically with Central Dispatch to work through problems. A meeting was scheduled yesterday to discuss what will make the transition better.

Although the change has been frustrating for some, the calls have gone through, Sewell said. All local numbers remain the same, and a phone has been installed on the outside of the city building for anyone who comes to the police department for assistance after hours.

The council approved a municipal order reappointing Lori Wooton to the Ethics Board. She will serve a three-year term expiring Jan. 1, 2017.

In an executive order, D.J. Oldham was named to the position of assistant fire chief effective immediately upon taking the state oath.

Sewell appointed Mitchell and Chappell to the budget committee.

The mayor's supplement included the Jan. 16 opening of Casey's General Store. A Grand Opening is planned for Jan. 31.

As of Jan. 10, the flood plain on the east side of town was lowered

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I-69 Contracts Are Awarded

WK/Pennyrile Interchange

A contract to reconstruct a major interchange in the Interstate 69 Corridor in Hopkins County has been awarded. It is one in a series of improvements to bring portions of three Kentucky parkways up to federal interstate highway standards.

"We're pleased that this project moves us closer to the objective of completing I-69 from Henderson to Fulton over the next several years," Gov. Steve Beshear said. "The conversion of our parkways to interstate standards is an important part of our work to attract new jobs and improve commerce in Western Kentucky along the I-69 Corridor."

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416/Pennyrile Interchange

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has awarded a contract for one of the construction projects aimed at bringing Interstate 69 to Henderson.

The agency awarded a $4.96 million contract to Hazex Construction Co. of Henderson for completing the second half of the Kentucky 416/Robards interchange on the Pennyrile Parkway in southern Henderson County.

Kentucky's strategy for pushing I-69 through the state largely involves upgrading existing parkways to interstate standards, including ensuring that interchanges are long enough that traffic can safely enter and exit I-69 at 70 mph.



TRAFFIC moved slowly through downtown Dawson Springs Tuesday morning as a fast moving clipper system brought very cold air into the area accompanied by some light snow. Some areas north and west of Hopkins County received 1-2 inches of snow while the Louisville area was forecast to receive as much as six inches.

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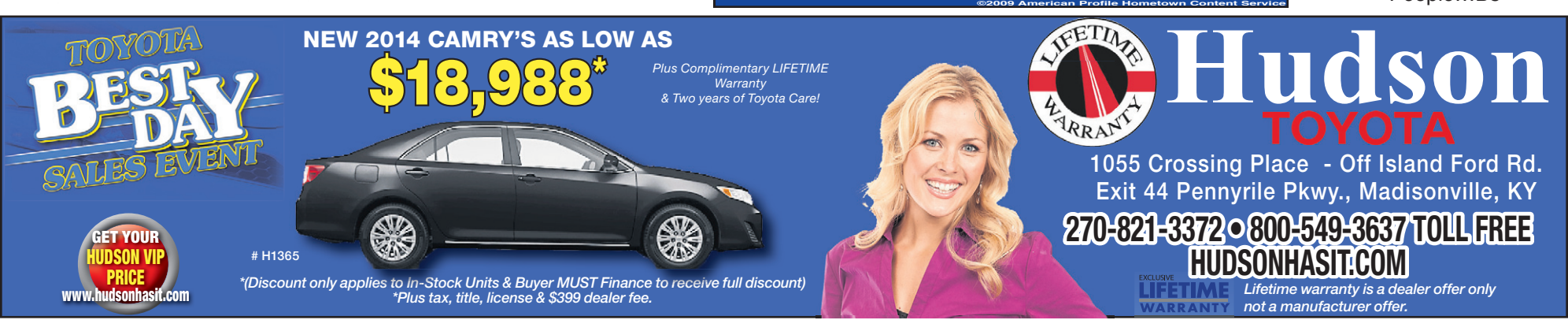
LOCAL 5 DAY FORECAST

Wed 1/22	Thu 1/23	Fri 1/24	Sat 1/25	Sun 1/26
37/12	20/6	30/21	44/24	45/24
Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 37. Winds SSW 10-15.	More sun than clouds.	Sunshine. Highs in low 30s and lows in low 20s.	Clouds giving way to sun. Highs in mid 40s, lows in mid 20s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in mid 40s and lows in mid 20s.

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Sen. Rhoads Tries Again To Establish Library Tax

Sen. Jerry P. Rhoads has filed legislation creating an alternate method of establishing a library district in counties that do not currently have a library district.

Senate Bill 75 would allow the fiscal courts in those counties to create a library taxing district by ordinance. A library district created by this method would be governed by a five-citizen board appointed by the County Judge-Executive with approval of the fiscal court. That board, with the approval of the fiscal court, would be able to levy a tax to support the library district. That tax could be no greater than the state maximum of 20 cents on each $100 of the assessed value of property in the district. Such a tax would require fiscal court approval of the initial rate and any subsequent modification. The fiscal court would have final authority over the tax rate.

"This legislation would provide an opportunity for counties such as Hopkins and Christian to have a sufficient, dependable and predictable revenue stream for our local libraries," said Rhoads.

The legislation, which the senator also filed in 2012 and 2013, has strong support from both Hopkins County Judge-Executive Donnie Carroll and Christian County Judge-Executive Steve Tribble. The Kentucky Association of Counties endorsed the legislation in the 2012 and 2013 sessions.

"This legislation recognizes the value of a strong county library system and gives counties without a library district an important option to provide sufficient funding for their libraries," Rhoads added.

SB 75 will be considered during the 2014 session.



TAKING part in the homecomig festivities Saturday, Jan. 11, are DSHS 2013 Homecoming king and queen, Thomas Moore and Kristin Peek

Dawson Springs Officers Report Week's Activities

The Dawson Springs Police Department released the following reports last week:

—Zachary N. Bindoo, 21, East Arcadia Avenue, was arrested Jan. 13 at Springs Inn. He was charged with failure to pay fines (McCracken County warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer, assisted by Chief Bill Crider.

—Bobby J. Newberry Jr., East Walnut Street, was arrested Jan. 13. He was charged with failure to pay fines (Hopkins County warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Jessica M. Horton, 23, Springs Inn Motel, was arrested Jan. 16 on East Keigan Street. She was charged with first-degree fleeing or evading police, three counts of disregarding a stop sign, first-degree wanton endangerment, no registration plates, no registration receipt, failure to notify the department of transportation of address change, no insurance, and reckless driving. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer, assisted by Chief Bill Crider.

—Brian Holt, 39, Princeton, was arrested Jan. 16 on East Arcadia Avenue. He was charged with operating on a suspended license and failure to surrender a revoked operator's license. Chief Bill Crider was the charging officer.

—Dustin L. Shumaker, 22, 310 Franklin St., was arrested Jan. 16 at 45 Rosedale Court, Apt. 20. He was charged with nonpayment of fines (Hopkins County bench warrant). Brad Ross was the charging officer.

—Garth B. Forsythe, 22, 139 Clarkdale Court, was arrested Jan. 16 at 101 Baxter Ave., Apt. 9B. He was charged with nonpayment of fines (Hopkins County bench warrant). Brad Ross was the charging officer.

—Isaac R. Chamberlain, 22, Earlington, was arrested Jan. 17. He was charged with contempt of court (Webster County warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—David E. Stone, 59, Earlington, was arrested Jan. 17. He was charged with nonpayment of fines (Hopkins County bench warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Cynthia Phillips, 39, Dawson Springs, was arrested Jan. 19 at Rosedale Court. She was charged with failure to pay fines (Webster County warrant). Brad Ross was the charging officer.

A local man was charged by the Madisonville Police Department:

—Heath D. Alexander, 34, 215 Martin Loop, was charged Jan. 15 with two counts of receiving stolen property.

A Dawson Springs resident was charged by the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department:

—Melvin E. Todd, 50, Olney Road, was charged Jan. 10 with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs.

Hopkinsville Call Center To Bring In Third Client

By Carla Jimenez
Kentucky New Era

When TeleTech's Hopkinsville call center opened in December, it had one client and about 100 employees. More than a month later, the call center has approximately 200 employees servicing two clients — and in just a few more weeks, the company will have a third client at the Hopkinsville call center and will hire 200 more employees.

Todd Baxter, the senior vice president of operations for the Colorado-based TeleTech, said the third client will bring the employee count at around 400, and the company will begin hiring immediately.

"As of Thursday, we secured a third client to come into here, which is another 200 jobs, so that's going to take us to right around 400 probably around April," he said.

The Hopkinsville call center has come a long way from the initial announcement in May 2012. TeleTech promised it would invest $12 million in opening the call center at Bradford Square mall, employ up to 700 employees and open in the fall of 2012. But then for the next year, the opening date for the call center kept getting pushed further and further back until many in the community doubted that the call center would ever actually open.

But Baxter didn't. Throughout the whole drawn-out process, he remained confident in the promised call center.

The delay stemmed from TeleTech's difficulty in securing a client for the Hopkinsville call center. While confidentiality agreements with the company's clients prevented Baxter from revealing their names, he said initially the Hopkinsville call center had been promised to one large client, but that client had been on the fence for too long, and eventually TeleTech decided to open the Hopkinsville call center to other clients that may have wanted it.

Now, the Hopkinsville call center will serve three of TeleTech's clients, and the company is going to hit the ground running with the new set of employees.

"Clients want to hear that we're ready to go with a ready workforce," he said. "They don't want to hear it's going to take us three months to find the people and another six weeks to train them all."

Each of the call center's employees must undergo a six-week training course on the company's technology systems. Before the call center opened, TeleTech did its training out of the Hopkinsville Community College. But now, with the center open, the company can do its training in house.

Cassandra Berkenbile is the local site director. She said with the new client coming to the call center, she encourages people to start applying immediately by going www.teletechjobs.com. She estimated the company would start hiring new employees for the new client immediately.

With any company there will be some attrition, or employee turnover, and TeleTech is no different. Baxter said the company has some turnover, but this means that the company is almost always hiring.

"We expect to have pretty low attrition here, but people, I'm sure, will leave. And we try to plan for that in advance," he said. "We're always training, always hiring, always recruiting."

The Hopkinsville call center has been monumental for TeleTech in myriad ways. It's not only the company's first call center in Kentucky — it plans on opening a call center in Paducah later this year.

Madisonville Man Injured In Two-Vehicle Accident

A Madisonville man was injured in a two-vehicle collision on Ky. 85 near Madisonville Saturday.

According to Kentucky State Police, Michael J. Hale, 43, of Madisonville, was traveling east, meeting Troy W. Inghram 44, of Sacramento who was westbound. As the two vehicles passed each other, their driver's sides struck, causing minor damage.

Hale drove himself to Baptist Health Madisonville for minor injuries. Both drivers were wearing seat belts.

Trooper Joe Bartolotti investigated the collision.

Flag Man Hit By Auto Injured On Nebo Road

A flagman in a work zone on Nebo Road was injured when he was struck by a vehicle Jan. 14.

The Hopkins County Sheriff's Department reported that a vehicle driven by Clida Agent was approaching the work zone conducted by T&D Electric. Agent's vehicle sideswiped the flagman, Timothy West, 42.

West sustained injuries to his shoulder and was transported by ambulance to Baptist Health Madisonville where he was treated and released.

The sheriff's office was assisted by the Manitou Fire Department. Deputy Jonathan Barnes was the reporting officer.

Kentucky Leads Nation In New Business Creations

Kentucky currently leads the nation in new businesses created, according to the most recent data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Specifically, Kentucky saw a 6.05 percent year-over-year jump in new businesses opened during the second quarter (Q2) of 2013, the most recent quarter for which information is available.

Kentucky saw 6,686 new businesses open during Q2 2013.

"Business creation is one of the key building blocks for economic development," said Gov. Steve Beshear. "The fact that Kentucky leads the nation in this key metric by a big margin shows that our hard work has put us on the right track. New businesses are a sign of economic know-how and success, so this report is important to both the business community and the commonwealth."

The data highlights Kentucky's ongoing upswing in new business creation. During the first quarter of 2013 Kentucky ranked second nationally, by percentage, in new businesses opened. During the fourth quarter of 2012 it ranked third, and during the third quarter of 2012 fourth. Over the four most recently reported quarters, Kentucky ranked third nationally in new businesses created.

Many of the new businesses created in Q2 2013 were "micro-enterprises," businesses with five or fewer employees.

Last year was strong for many aspects of Kentucky's economy, including a record $23.1 billion in exports of Kentucky-made products.

Orthopaedic Team Joins Madisonville Baptist Health

Baptist Health Madisonville has announced that James M. Donley, M.D., James C. Dodds, M.D. and Russell Peyton, APRN, FNP-C have joined Baptist Health Madisonville. Their orthopedic practice, The Center for Orthopaedic Services in Madisonville, is now Baptist Health Orthopedic Care. The practice will remain at its McCoy Avenue location.

"Baptist Health Madisonville is pleased to welcome these well respected, highly skilled orthopedic specialists," said Michael Baumgartner, president of Baptist Health Madisonville. "This move represents a positive step forward in the expansion of our orthopedic services in Western Kentucky, of providing the highest and most comprehensive level of musculoskeletal care to our patients."

Donley, Dodds and Peyton join Dr. Joseph Mesa, who has practiced at Baptist Health Madisonville since 1987. Together, Baptist Health Madisonville offers a wide range of services to help address problems of the musculoskeletal system, including arthritis and joint replacement. Drs. Dodds and Donley are board certified physicians with added specialty certification in surgery of the hand, as well as sports medicine. Baptist Health Orthopedic Care can be reached at 270-824-6655.

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Dr. Woods earned her medical degree from the University of Louisville School of Medicine. While in medical school, she also obtained her master's degree in public health. She completed her internship and pediatric residency at Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt in Nashville, Tenn. She is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics.

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FIRST graders appearing as shepherds in the Dawson Springs Elementary School Christmas pageant Dec. 20, are (from left) Annicka Baird, Austin Terry, Kolby Crook, Keaton Gentry, Savannah Matheny, and Cheydon Shelton.

WKU Researcher Uses Basil To Combat Cancer

Plants that may help fight breast cancer are sprouting and taking root in a Western Kentucky University biology faculty member's laboratory at the Owensboro Centre for Business and Research.

Dr. Chandra Emani, assistant professor of plant molecular biology at WKU-Owensboro, is conducting research on the pharmaceutical and therapeutic benefits of the basil plant (ocimum sp.), the herb widely known for its medicinal and culinary uses.

"If you look at the east, they've been using the plant not exactly as a medication but a supplement for a lot of treatments," he said. "Basil is a plant which has a lot of compounds called metabolites, meaning the leaves of a basic basil plant, like any other plant, make a lot of stuff."

In his lab at the Owensboro facility, Dr. Emani and his students are genetically engineering the basil to produce more eugenol, a compound in basil that "has a very great pharmaceutical value because it's shown to control breast cancer."

"When you grind these basil leaves there is a compound called eugenol that comes out," said Dr. Emani, who received a $12,000 Research and Creative Activities Program (RCAP) grant from WKU's Office of Research. "Eugenol, when they put it on a plate where there are tumor cells, it stopped growth of the tumor cells. That was a proof of concept experiment which was done a long time back."

Through his research at the Owensboro center, Dr. Emani is continuing to build the proof of concept that basil could produce a useful plant-based pharmaceutical to treat breast cancer.

"If I make it make higher and higher amounts of eugenol, that plant, basil plant, will be a storehouse of that anti-cancerous compound," he said.

The next phase in the research project would be to test the compound as an effective cancer treatment. "If I can show it stops breast cancer growth, I have now an environmentally friendly plant-based treatment for breast cancer," Dr. Emani said.

With those results, Dr. Emani would then be able to seek funding from other research agencies for clinical trials "to see if this is an effective way to get a pharmaceutical compound from a plant."

Dr. Emani's project aims at complementing the efforts of groups in the Owensboro cancer research program that are utilizing plant-based pharmaceuticals in cancer treatment.

"Plants are a storehouse of chemicals which can treat anything that's inflamed," he said. "Inflammation is the basis for cancer so if we can find plant based treatment it may not be painful medical process anymore. It's just we have this plant we can include in the diet at the very early stages and ward off inflammation that would otherwise lead to cancer."

In addition to combating cancer and improving the community's health, the research project is increasing the undergraduate research opportunities offered through WKU-Owensboro, Dr. Emani said.

Dr. Emani, who earned his bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in India, has been at WKU-Owensboro since 2010 and has seen the number of students taking his courses and working in the research lab grow from two to 15.

By taking advantage of WKU's FUSE (Faculty-Undergraduate Student Engagement) grants, his students are becoming full-fledged researchers and preparing themselves for graduate schools. And by working in his lab and with partners like Hollison Technologies and Kentucky BioProcessing, his students are gaining real-world experience in plant-based genetic engineering.

"We want to deal with treating cancer in a very holistic way, what I mean is we want to find one treatment that takes care of many cancers," he said.

KSP Is Warning Parents About Internet Predators

The Kentucky State Police used the latest episode of KSP-TV to warn parents about the dangers of Internet predators. The video shares an inside look at the agency's Electronic Crimes Branch and the intricate work that takes place to protect children from online predators.

KSP spokesman Trooper Paul Blanton says the Internet has become an important part of everyday life — for information, communication and entertainment.

"The most technology receptive segment of our population is young people," said Blanton. "It's an unfortunate fact of life that along with the many resources the Internet provides, there are also online predators stalking our youth."

Blanton says the problem with the Internet is we can't see the predators that may be after our children. That's why he says it's important for parents to talk to their children about what can happen with strangers on social media.

"Parents need to be open and honest with their teens. They need to tell them about the dangers that are out there. Sometimes we don't think our teens listen to us, but they do."

According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, there are nearly 750,000 registered sex offenders in the United States. An increasing number of those individuals are utilizing the Internet to find their victims.

KSP Detective Josh Lawson, who works in the Electronic Crimes Branch, says a majority of victims of Internet-initiated sex crimes are between the ages of 13 and 15.

"The key to safeguarding your children is an open line of communication. You want to know who your children are talking to face to face. You wouldn't let them talk to any stranger on the street, especially about intimate things," said Lawson. "Why would you let them talk to someone on the Internet about even more intimate things?"

In 82 percent of online sex crimes, predators used the victim's social media site to gain information about the youth. Only 18 percent of youth use chat rooms, but a majority of the Internet sex crimes are initiated in chat rooms.

Blanton says parents need to set ground rules with their children.

"Have the computer in a common room. Know your children's passwords on social networking sites and talk to your children about what they are doing online," added Blanton. "If parents won't, someone else will, and that person could be a sexual predator hiding behind a computer."

Blanton hopes the KSP-TV video segment will be a tool used by parents and teachers to create an open dialogue with young people about the dangers lurking beyond their computer screens.

The Web site, www.netsmartz.org, is another valuable resource for parents and educators to utilize when talking to youth about Internet safety.

To view the KSP-TV Electronic Crimes episode, go to http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ie0abjG3ebk.

Gospel Jubilee Will Feature The Stone Family Singers

Rita's Front Porch Gospel Jubilee, 8805 Ky. 112 in Ilsley, will feature The Stone Family at 7 p.m. Friday.

There is no admission charge. A love offering and donations will be accepted.

For information, phone 875-6248 or 875-6249.

Ilsley Church To Host Singing

Ilsley Community Church will host a gospel singing at 7 p.m. Saturday. The Dearmond Family will be featured.

For additional information, phone 322-3132.

Obituary Policy

Obituaries are published free of charge as a public service by The Dawson Springs Progress. Information is provided by funeral homes and the funeral home is responsible for accuracy. Free obituaries may include the following: person's name, age, address, date of death, date and place of services, minister, burial site and memorial contributions. Survivors and those who preceded the deceased in death will include spouse's name, childrens' names, number of grandchildren and/or great grandchildren and siblings' names. Also included is place of birth, date of birth, parents' names, one occupation or former occupation if retired, service club memberships, church membership, pall bearers and if they graduated from Dawson Springs High School. Paid obituaries will include any information the family wishes to submit. The charge for a paid obituary is $3.50 per column inch.

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Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.

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Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

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Rev. Bobby McKnight, Pastor
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Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Rev. Kathy S. Redden, Sr. Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.
Thursday Bible Study, 10 a.m.

DUNN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Highway 109 North
Bro. Bobby Sellers, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Training Union, 6 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

MIDWAY VALLEY PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Highway 62 West
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Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
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Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.

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Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Evening Worship, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Monday Night, 7 p.m.
Paryer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Evening Worship, 6 p.m.

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Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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Evening Worship, 6 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

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Training Union, 6 p.m.
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Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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SOPHOMORE candidates for the 2014 Homecoming king and queen are Jacob Messamore, son of Terry and Sharon Messamore and Cameron Riley, daughter of Lisa and Matt Riley.



JUNIOR candidates for the 2014 Homecoming king and queen are Brandon Hayes, son of Debbie Hayes and David Hayes and Leah Smiley, daughter of Mark and Dianna Smiley.



JUNIOR candidates for the 2014 Homecoming king and queen are Seth Parker, son of Toni and Mike Stevens and the late Kevin Parker and Ashton Blake Coleman, daughter of Rebekah and Mikey Cotton and Jason and Allison Coleman.



SENIOR candidates for the 2014 Homecoming king and queen are Trace Menser, son of Earl Menser and Suzy Menser and Halyn Burden, daughter of Heath and Jennifer Burden.



SENIOR candidates for the 2014 Homecoming king and queen are Katie Crider, daughter of Jeff Crider and Cindy Crider; Gage Brewer, son of Derrick and Jennifer Brewer; and Abby Coy, daughter of Mary Beth Coy and Chuck Coy.



FRESHMAN candidates for the 2014 Homecoming king and queen are Dylan Simpson, son of Wayne and Rhonda Simpson and Courtney Copeland, daughter of Greg and Missy Copeland.



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NEAR SCHOOLS AND IN WORK ZONES IN KENTUCKY

Bill Would Prohibit Some Driver's Cellphone Use

By Jack Brammer
Lexington Herald-Leader

On Labor Day weekend in 2007, Hillary Coltharp, then 26, tried to return a text message on her cellphone while driving. She lost control of her convertible on Interstate 24, resulting in a horrific crash.

The accident dramatically changed her and her family's lives. With the family's support, her story is being used today by police and public highway officials in Kentucky to urge state lawmakers to adopt tougher measures on phone usage while driving.

Although Kentucky has laws that prohibit texting while driving for everyone and the use of cellphones for drivers younger than 18, Gov. Steve Beshear is calling for "no-phone zones."

Under his proposal, no driver except those in emergency vehicles could talk on a phone while driving in school zones or highway work sites.

"Given the vulnerability of schoolchildren and construction workers, we need to consider creating 'no-phone zones' — areas where drivers aren't allowed to talk on phones while driving," Beshear said in his State of the Commonwealth Address.

State Rep. Terry Mills, D-Lebanon, is sponsoring House Bill 33, which has been assigned to the House Transportation Committee.

Under it, violators would have to pay $50 for the first offense of using a cellphone in school and highway work zones and $100 for any other offense. The state would give 50 percent of the fines collected to the Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center at the University of Kentucky.

Mills said he still was working on the bill with the state Transportation Cabinet and had not asked the House committee to consider it.

He said he wanted to make sure the legislation would not apply to emergency and public safety vehicles.

Twenty percent of all vehicle accidents in the state are due to distracted driving, state police Commissioner Rodney Brewer said.

Mills said he had not talked to Beshear about the legislation, "but I was proud he mentioned it in his Commonwealth speech."

Twelve states and the District of Columbia prohibit all drivers from using hand-held cellphones while driving, says the Governors Highway Safety Association in Washington. Forty-one states and the district ban text messaging for all drivers.

Texas specifically bans hand-held cellphones in school zones, and Vermont outlaws them in highway work zones.

Bill Bell, executive director of the state Transportation Cabinet's highway safety office, said distracted driving has deadly, real consequences.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 3,331 people were killed in crashes involving a distracted driver in 2011, compared to 3,092 in 2010. An additional 387,000 people were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving a distracted driver in 2011, compared to 416,000 in 2010.

Drivers who use hand-held devices are four times as likely to be involved in a serious crash, says the association.

"There are too many sad tales of deaths and injuries that could have been prevented had drivers been paying attention to the road instead of someone or something else," state Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock said in a recent publication of the state's highway traffic safety office.

According to a study by Carnegie Mellon, driving while using a cellphone reduces the amount of brain activity associated with driving by 37 percent.

Maybe the scariest statistic for drivers who text comes from the U.S. Transportation Cabinet: Sending or receiving a text takes a driver's eyes from the road for an average of 4.6 seconds.

That's like driving the length of an entire football field at 55 mph blind.

Hillary Coltharp's parents, Paul and Shawn Coltharp, said goodbye to her when they saw her at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah after her crash.

Her car, traveling east on I-24, had crossed the median and rolled three times before she was thrown 75 feet from the vehicle. She landed on her head in the emergency lane of westbound I-24.

She suffered severe brain trauma, a skull fracture, a collapsed lung and multiple broken bones.

Hillary had been only 4 miles away from meeting her family at a restaurant at Kentucky Lake for dinner. She told them by phone to "go ahead and order my fried ravioli."

After hanging up on her call to her family, Hillary responded to a text from a friend and lost control of her car.

Police said she was not speeding or drinking. She was not wearing a seat belt.

For nearly five years after the crash, Hillary was in and out of hospitals and rehabilitation centers — primarily Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville and Cardinal Hill in Lexington.

She continues therapies today and lives with her parents.

"She is doing remarkably well as a brain-injured person," said her mother, nationwide director for corporate initiatives for the American Cancer Society. "She is able to do about anything for herself, but she can't drive and has no career.

"Her attitude is one of the loneliest people in the world, but she also is most hopeful. She can be fun and funny and light-hearted, but she has stages of anger with verbal abuse and times of grief.

"I tell friends she has been like an infant growing up in fast-forward motion. She goes on date nights with us. She believes more than anybody that she is going to get well."

Shawn Coltharp said the "most important thing for her is speaking to people so this will not happen to them."

The Coltharps are working with local and state police and highway safety officials. Hillary has been the subject of newsletters, public service announcements and various other promotions.

The mother said she supports Beshear's call for "no-phone zones" in school and highway work zones.

"No family ever wants one of their loved ones hurt. This is another way to curb that hurt from happening," she said.

State Senate Majority Leader Damon Thayer, R-Georgetown, said he sympathized with the Coltharps and appreciated their call for tougher driving laws, "but government already is overly intrusive in our day-to-day lives."

Thayer said he saw Beshear's "no-phone zones" proposal as "a nonstarter" in this year's General Assembly.

"Look, I have a son who is about ready to get his driver's license and I'm frightened about the possibilities," he said. "All I know is that I teach him that when he gets in the car, he puts his cellphone in the glove box."

Thayer added, "We already have a texting ban law in Kentucky. Government is in almost every area of our lives, and I'm going to fight to make sure it doesn't increase its role."

Shawn Coltharp said she, too, was sensitive to government overreach.

"But we're talking here about a penalty of $50 for texting while driving in a school or road construction area, a move that could save lives," she said.

Interchange Contract Awarded

—Continued from front page

The project was awarded to the team of Rogers Group Inc. & Qk4 Inc. on a low bid of $29,004,662. The target completion date is May 29, 2015. The project involves a cloverleaf interchange connecting I-69 with the Breathitt-Pennyrile Parkway south of Madisonville. It will be modified with a "full flow" connection interchange to accommodate traffic moving at modern highway speeds.

A 55-mile segment of the corridor has been completed, from roughly Nortonville to the I-24 Carroll-Purchase interchange at Calvert City, and now bears the red, white and blue shields of I-69.

"Much work remains in order to fulfill our goal of completing the entire I-69 Corridor from the Ohio River to the Tennessee border," Beshear said. "However, this project is a significant step forward and shows our commitment to completing I-69 through Kentucky."

No Headway Made On Franchise

—Continued from front page

approximately 7 feet. The spec building is now out of the flood plain.

Sewell and city clerk Janet Dunbar will receive training in Frankfort Feb. 4 on administering the gap grant housing funds.

A grant application will be prepared for Dawson Springs to sponsor or co-sponsor the first portion of a bike trail near the city. A master plan for the project is already in place.

Officer Josh Travis resigned his position with the police department as of Jan. 31 to take a job with the Hopkins County Sheriff's Department. Several applications for the position have been received. Some are academy trained.

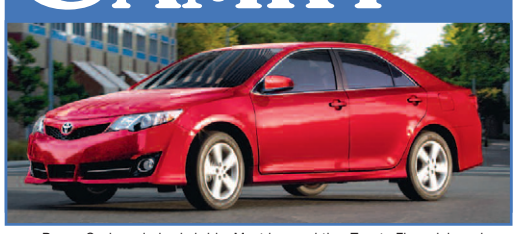
The Zoning Board will hold a hearing at 5 p.m. Jan. 30, and the Historic Commission will meet at 6 p.m. that day. Both meetings concern property at 105 Railroad Avenue.

City offices will be closed Feb. 17 for Presidents' Day.

After the meeting, Oldham was officially sworn in as assistant fire chief. A reception followed.

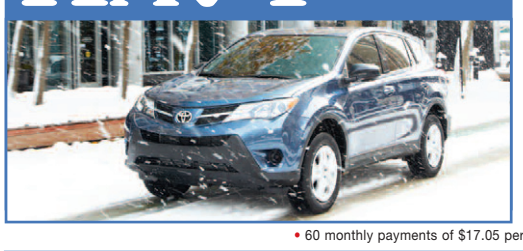
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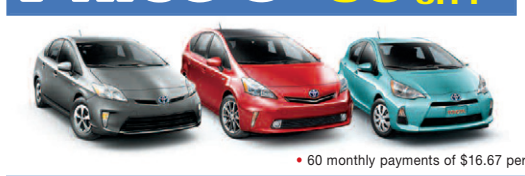
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TOYOTA Let's Go Places

ABOUT TOWN *By Scott*

When Private Is Actually Public

This page and the following page are primarly reserved for opinions. Some are the opinions of this newspaper and some are opinions of other newspapers, not necessarily this one.

We also occasionally publish guest commentaries. These are the opinions of the writers, and again, not necessarily of this newspaper.

A newspaper's favorite piece of opinion comes in the form of letters to the editor. We wish we received more of them which were opinion pieces — not just random thoughts.

In this week's commentary written by Jim Waters, president of the Bluegrass Institute, Waters wants readers to think his commentary is about refuting a poll concerning a statewide smoking ban because of how a question is asked.

However, it's the opinion of this newspaper that Waters is against the statewide smoking ban because of his thoughts about private property rights of business owners.

It makes little sense to think a business owner wants his or her property to be private. How much business would there be with a sign that read, "No Trespassing, Private Property?"

Business owners invite the public to their premises to share their money with the business owner. That is why people get into business. At the point when the business opens, the property still belongs to its owner, but there has to be some change in the "rights" of the owner since it must be a safe environment for the public.

It's more likely to think that a coal mine should have more private property rights than a retail business, bar or restaurant. Owners of coal mines do not invite the public into their business, but coal mines have little say over government issued mandates in the way they do business to keep their employees safe.

Shop owners, when open for business, then must give up some of their private property rights since they are no longer truly private property, but open to the public.

Restaurants and bars give up their "right" to have roaches running all around or to have plumbing that does not work. Other shop owners also must give up the right to have unsafe conditions.

In one's home, there is no government regulation that requires a homeowner to keep the house safe, other than for children living in the home. It seems everyone can agree where children are concerned, the government must try to protect them.

Private property rights are not a good enough reason to be against a smoking ban throughout Kentucky.

There are many, many reasons for the ban.

There have been three mistakes in this newspaper recently that need to be cleared up.

In a story about the Christmas Home Tour sponsored by Dawson Springs High School's senior class, it was stated that The Darby House was the last remaining boarding house in Dawson Springs. It has been brought to our attention that this is not a correct statement. What was known as The Wolfe House on Poplar Street is also still standing.

In the story about the local school system hiring Leonard "Lenny" Whalen as superintendent, the story said he is the eighth superintendent for our independent school system. He is actually the ninth. The other superintendents were: Judson Jenkins, R.A. Belt, Bob Forsythe, John Ray, Danny Brown, David Boggs, Alexis Seymore and Charles Proffitt.

The third item which needs to be corrected was in the Jan. 8 edition of the paper in the 50 Years Ago section. This mistake is actually more than 50 years old, as the name of the young lady who had a fifth birthday party was incorrect in the original newspaper it appeared in. The young lady having the party in 1964 was actually Denise Wagner.

Speaking of opinions, everyone seems to have one. Consider this…

—On the first day of school, a first-grader handed his teacher a note from his mother. The note read, "The opinions expressed by this child are not necessarily those of his parents."

Here are more examples of how children help us understand that life really isn't as complicated as we try to make it…

—A little boy got lost at the YMCA and found himself in the women's locker room. When he was spotted, the room burst into shrieks, with ladies grabbing towels and running for cover. The little boy watched in amazement and then asked, "What's the matter, haven't you ever seen a little boy before?"

—While taking a routine vandalism report at an elementary school, the policeman was interrupted by a little girl about 6 years old. Looking up and down at his uniform, she asked, "Are you a cop?"

"Yes," he answered, and continued writing the report.

"My mother said if I ever needed help I should ask the police. Is that right?"

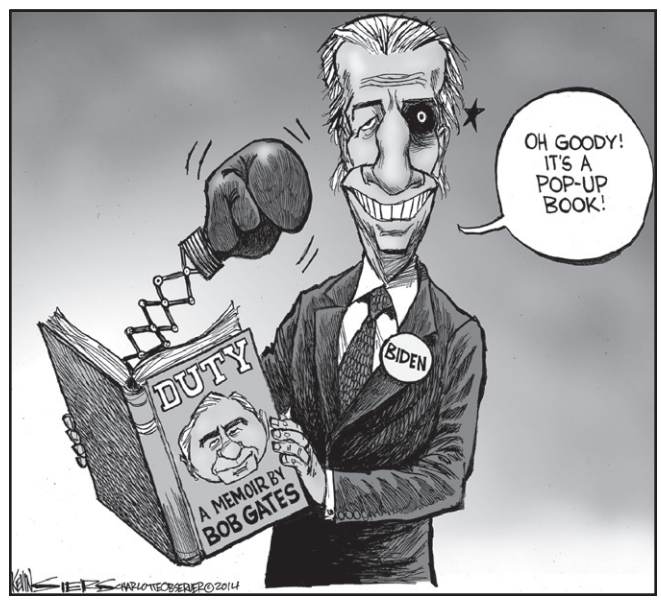
"Yes, that's right," he told her.

"Well, then," she said as she extended her foot toward him, "would you please tie my shoe?"

—While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut-ins, the man used to take his 4-year-old granddaughter on afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheel-chairs.

One day the man found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As he braced himself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, "The tooth fairy will never believe this!"







COMMENTARY

Polls Can Be Misleading

By Jim Waters
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Bluegrass Institute
jwaters@freedomkentucky.com

A recent poll by the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky may initially appear to indicate widespread support for a government-imposed statewide smoking ban – even in privately owned restaurants and bars and in local communities that already have implemented their various policies.

Drill down, however, and there is reasonable doubt.

The poll asks: "Would you favor or oppose a statewide law in Kentucky that would prohibit smoking in most public places, including workplaces, public buildings, offices, restaurants and bars?"

A majority said "yes."

But that's like asking: "Do you believe it's legal to drive 55 mph?" Most would agree.

Then ask: "Do you believe it's legal to drive 55 mph near a school or in a work zone? Most would disagree.

Proponents of a statewide smoking law know that if they offer a choice in these polls, most would favor bans in public places but not on privately owned property.

That makes sense.

Citizens have no choice in where they go to fulfill legal obligations like obtaining drivers' licenses, filing property deeds or casting votes. Most government buildings have already gone smoke free for this reason.

Even most privately owned establishments frequented by the public have already accomplished what the supporters of a statewide ban claim they want: smoke-free atmospheres for customers and workers.

It's been at least 15 years since I went into a McDonald's restaurant where someone was smoking. Even some bars like The Crazy Fox in Newport boom with business after voluntarily implementing bans.

This all happened without a statewide law.

Another issue with the poll: Where do respondents live? Residents from liberal urban areas may have different views than those farming tobacco in rural Kentucky.

Also, how many respondents are bar owners who could be economically harmed by such a law?

Susan Zepeda, the foundation's president and CEO, believes government laws

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Everyone Is Invited

Dear Editor,

Want something to look forward to? The Voices of Dawson Springs, who held the Rosedale Voices of the Past in October, have a new production. Café Murder, by Nathan Hartswick, is a dinner production to be held at the Dawson Springs Community Center on Feb. 22. There will be two performances: 11 a.m. with lunch and 6 p.m. with dinner. There is limited seating for each performance. You can reserve your seat by calling for a reservation at 797-4496. You must pay and pick up your ticket by Feb. 19.

The Voices of Dawson Springs is made up of local citizens who want to invite you to a meal with entertainment and fellowship. Café Murder is a hilarious "who done it," where everyone is a suspect. Can you guess who done it? Prizes will be awarded. Proceeds made by the group will go toward other projects in Dawson Springs such as a scholarship for a graduating senior,

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Lawmakers Should Please Voters

There was a time, not so long ago, when politicians in tobacco-growing states wouldn't go anywhere near a discussion of smoke-free laws. They knew most of their constituents opposed legislation that would ban smoking in public places, and so it made no sense politically for them to anger voters.

Will the same logic apply now that more than half of Kentuckians say they support a statewide smoking ban?

We hope it does.

In a poll conducted between Oct. 25 and Nov. 26 for the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky, 65 percent of the respondents said they would favor a law that prohibits smoking in most public places. Twenty-nine percent said they opposed a smoking ban. The poll's margin of error is 2.3 percent.

This is the fourth consecutive year the poll has been conducted. In the first poll, Kentuckians were evenly split — 48 percent favoring and 48 percent opposing — smoke-free legislation.

The shift in opinions has been steady. In 2011, 54 percent favored and 43 percent opposed a state smoking ban. In 2012, 59 percent favored and 38 percent opposed legislation.

The results of the fourth poll last fall were released shortly after Kentucky Youth Advocates issued its "Blueprint for Kentucky's Children" report, which recommended a smoking ban to protect the state's youngest residents from the effects of secondhand smoke.

"The U.S. Surgeon General reported in 2006 that no amount of secondhand smoke is risk-free and recommended eliminating all indoor smoking. Smoke-free environments reduce the health risks of secondhand smoke to nonsmokers," the foundation noted in its introduction of the latest polling results.

Kentucky has the highest rate of cigarette smoking in the country, and there are 7,800 smoking-related deaths a year in the state.

What reason could state lawmakers have for failing to pass a smoking ban in the 2014 session of the General Assembly?

Most Kentuckians favor a smoking ban in public places. The medical science is clear. Secondhand smoke makes people sick, and that includes children who have no say in their exposure.

There are no more excuses.

Lawmakers, pass a statewide smoking ban because it is the right thing for Kentucky and because the voters want it.

—Kentucky New Era

LOOKING BACK

10, 25 & 50 Years Ago

10 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, Jan. 22, 2004.)

Karissa Paige Ashlock celebrated her first Christmas and her first birthday with a party Thursday, Dec. 25, in her home.

Jonah Zechariah celebrated his fourth birthday with a party Sunday, Jan. 11 at his home.

Panther girls knocked off Crittenden Co. by 13.

Panther boys win 38-37 over Muhlenberg South Thursday night, Jan. 15.

The funeral for Mrs. Mary Frances "Mammy" Brown, 85, was held Sunday afternoon, Jan. 18, at Beshear Funeral Home.

25 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, Jan. 19, 1989.)

Services for Mrs. Clara Bertha Morgan, 90, were held Monday afternoon at Beshear Funeral Home.

The funeral for Mrs. Nola Robinson Haley, 72, will be held today at 2 p.m. at Beshear Funeral Home.

50 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, Jan. 23, 1964.)

Anita Dawn Scott was born Wednesday, Dec. 25, in the St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital in Chicago. She weighed six pounds and five ounces.

Bill Don Cotton was honored Saturday night with a surprise birthday party.

David Brett Burrow was born Tuesday at Norton Memorial Hospital in Louisville. He weighed eight pounds and four ounces.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

• On Jan. 26, 1788, the first of 50,000 convicts banished from England to Australia land in Botany Bay. These were not hardened criminals; only a small minority were transported for violent offenses. Among the first group was a 70-year-old woman who had stolen cheese to eat.

• On Jan. 20, 1841, China cedes the island of Hong Kong to the British. In 1898, Britain was granted an additional 99 years of rule. In September 1984, the British and the Chinese signed a formal agreement approving a 1997 turnover of the island.

• On Jan. 25, 1924, the first Winter Olympics begin at Chamonix in the French Alps. Spectators were thrilled by the ski jump and bobsled, as well as 12 other events involving a total of six sports.

• On Jan. 23, 1957, the Wham-O toy company rolls out the first batch of aerodynamic plastic discs, now known as Frisbees. The story of the Frisbee began in Bridgeport, Conn., where students from nearby universities would throw empty Frisbie Pie Company tins to each other, yelling "Frisbie!" as they let go.

• On Jan. 21, 1976, from London's Heathrow Airport and Orly Airport outside Paris, the first Concordes with commercial passengers simultaneously take flight to Bahrain in the Persian Gulf and Rio de Janeiro, respectively. The Concordes flew well past the sound barrier at 1,350 mph.

• On Jan. 24, 1980, U.S. officials announce that America is ready to sell military equipment (excluding weapons) to communist China as a reaction to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. An additional agreement was signed for the construction of a station in China that would be able to receive information from an American satellite.

• On Jan. 22, 1998, in a Sacramento, Calif., courtroom, Theodore J. Kaczynski pleads guilty to all federal charges against him, acknowledging his responsibility for a 17-year campaign of package bombings attributed to the "Unabomber." The "Unabomber" was named after the UNABOM Task Force. The name came from the words "university and airline bombing."

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FIRST graders appearing as drummer boys in the Dawson Springs Elementary School Christmas pageant Dec. 20, are (from left) Memphis Opaleck, Riley Buntin, and Taylor Paris.

Citizens Urged To Apply For Earned Income Tax Credit

More Kentuckians are encouraged to apply for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), a refundable federal tax credit for low and middle income working individuals and families.

"The EITC is a benefit for low and middle income families, and I want to make sure every eligible Kentuckian takes advantage of it," Kentucky Treasurer Todd Hollenbach said. "In addition, it's good for the economy because research indicates that 97 percent of this money will go right back into Kentucky businesses, just the kind of economic stimulus our communities need."

Eligibility for the EITC and the amount of the credit is based on income and family size. For example, a household with two parents and three or more children can earn up to $50,000 and still qualify for credits as high as $6,044.

In tax year 2012 Kentuckians filed 410,000 EITC claims for a total of $912 million in benefits statewide. The average credit was a little over $2,200. Unfortunately, an estimated 15 to 20 percent of eligible workers still do not claim their EITC benefits, according to the Internal Revenue Service, mostly due to lack of awareness.

The EITC is designed to help people afford to work by offsetting the rising costs of child care, transportation, and utilities that working families need. Families get it by filing their taxes, so it comes when heating costs are the highest and "extra" job — seasonal jobs, outdoor labor, etc. — opportunities are often the lowest. The EITC fills a gap to keep families stable and able to work.

"For earners in lower-wage jobs, the EITC can be a valuable income source," said Hollenbach. "Through the collective efforts of groups across the state, hundreds of millions of dollars can be put back in the hands of hard-working Kentuckians, increasing their personal financial status, creating a more vibrant and prosperous state. The challenge is to make sure that eligible taxpayers are aware of the credit and its numerous benefits."

State Reported Two 2013 Coal-Mining Deaths

By Bill Estep
Lexington Herald Leader

Coal-mining deaths in Kentucky were down in 2013 from the year before, but the state led the nation in the number of deaths at other kinds of mining operations, according to the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Nationwide, there were 20 deaths at coal mines and 22 at metal/nonmetal mines, such as limestone quarries and sand-mining operations, MSHA said.

There were two coal-related deaths in Kentucky, one at a Leslie County surface mine and the other at an underground mine in Harlan County, and four deaths at metal/nonmetal mines, according to a preliminary count MSHA released Monday.

The two coal deaths matched the state's record-low total from 2007, MSHA figures show.

It is unusual to have more non-coal mining deaths in Kentucky than coal fatalities. From 2002 through 2013, MSHA recorded 87 deaths in Kentucky related to coal mining, but only 13 at metal/nonmetal facilities.

Coal production, and the number of people employed in the industry, dropped significantly in Eastern Kentucky in 2013. That could have played a role in the lower number of fatalities.

MSHA also has stepped up enforcement, and has credited many in the coal industry with attention to safety, though it continues to find serious violations at some coal mines in Kentucky and elsewhere during special inspections.

Nationwide, the 20 coal-related deaths in 2013 matched the total from 2012, but the number of deaths at metal/nonmetal mines rose from 16 in 2012 to 22 in 2013, according to the MSHA news release.

"Mining deaths are preventable, and those that occurred in 2013 are no exception," MSHA chief Joseph A. Main said in the news release. "While we have made a number of improvements and have been moving mine safety in the right direction, the increased number of metal/nonmetal deaths makes clear we need to do more to protect our nation's miners."

Mining fatalities were on track toward a record low before a jump in the last three months of the year, when six coal miners and nine metal/nonmetal miners died, according to MSHA.

MSHA cut back on some inspections early in the fourth quarter because of the federal government shutdown.

No one has linked the spike in fatalities directly to the shutdown, but the inability of Congress to pass a budget bill "has resulted in cutbacks of routine inspections that are essential to the complex system of safety oversight of this complex industry," U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall, D-West Virginia, said in October, according to the Mine Safety and Health News newsletter.

Polls Can Be Misleading

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are needed for people to quit smoking or to keep from returning to the habit.

It's easier to keep smokers from puffing away when "there's a big 'no smoking' sign and no one else around me is smoking," Zepeda, Ph.D., told "Pure Politics."

Ironically, though, Zepeda, a former smoker, didn't quit because of some government edict. Rather, she stopped after the Surgeon General said it's harmful.

The fact that Kentucky's smoking rates are dropping without a statewide ban is a testimony to such effective warnings nationwide.

No doubt, it annoys statewide smoking-ban supporters that some Kentucky communities, including Campbell County in Northern Kentucky, have decided to allow restaurant and bar owners to adopt their own approaches.

They want to overturn those local policies with a statewide mandate using their favorite tactic: hyping the plight of workers.

Zepeda argues that while diners who want a smoke-free experience can choose a different restaurant to frequent, "workers may not have a choice where they work, especially since the (Great) Recession."

However, there are lots of dangerous jobs – at nuclear power plants, along busy interstates, on tops of bridges – where missteps bring death and place others in harm's way. Are we to ban heavy equipment because of such danger?

No one is forced to work in a smoke-filled restaurant, along a busy highway or on top of a bridge. Neither should any bar owner be bullied into denying patrons the freedom to engage in the legal, if unhealthy, practice of smoking.

No poll should override the constitutional protection against "absolute and arbitrary power."

The Kentucky Constitution's Bill of Rights states: "Absolute and arbitrary power over the lives, liberty and property of freemen exists nowhere in a republic, not even in the largest majority."

And certainly, Kentucky's "freemen" should not stand by and allow government to take away their liberties and legal use of their properties.

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the fireworks, the Barbecue, etc. We want the proceeds to go back to the community.

So make your reservation now. Mark your calendar and come join us for a meal and a fun-filled lunch or dinner. See you at the performance, and I hope you can guess "who done it."

Have a blessed day.

Lee Corum
Dawson Springs

Christians Are Silent

Dear Editor,

While watching the terrible news coming out of Syria and Egypt pertaining to the slaughter of Christians in those countries, it appalled me to learn that we here in America are not broadcasting our objection to the world. Every pulpit and pew should be shouting our objection to these actions by the enemies of Christianity.

Why are we so silent when so many are suffering? In a single day in July 2009, seven churches were bombed. In 2008, a bus convoy of Christian students was violently assaulted, and they were raped, tortured, kidnapped, beheaded and evicted from their homes, yet no one was shocked or surprised.

The religious persecution of Christians appears not to have grabbed the attention of American Christians. Christian leaders are puzzled by what appears to be a lack of anxiety, action or advocacy by western Christians. It was Martin Luther King who said, "In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends." Yet so many western Christians are silent today.

I have followed the fate of Christians in the Middle East for years, appalled at what is happening, surprised and distressed that it is not more widely known. Two bills were introduced in Congress last year by Rep. Frank Wolf (R-Va.) and Rep. Anna Eshoo (D-Calif.) to create a special envoy at the State Department to advocate for religious minorities in the Middle East and South Central Asia. The first bill passed in the house overwhelmingly but died in the Senate. The legislation was reintroduced in January and again passed the House easily. It now sits in the Senate but no date is set for it to be taken up.

Rep. Wolf has complained loudly of the State Department's lack of attention to religious persecution, but is anybody listening? He also quoted Lutheran pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer, who was executed for his efforts in the Nazi resistance: "Silence in the face of evil is itself evil. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act."

What else can I say? That pretty well sums it up. Thanks for your attention.

Ray Bochert
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Girls Go 0-3 In Busy Week

The Panther girls played three games last week and saw their record slip from 2-8 to 2-11 with two home losses and one on the road. Crittenden County beat the Panthers 61-38 in Panther gym Jan. 14. Then on Thursday night Trigg County left town after giving the Panthers a 43-28 setback. On Friday, the Panthers traveled to Madisonville where they lost to the Maroons 63-15.

Against Crittenden County the Panthers faced deficits of 16-4 after the first quarter; 24-11 at the half; and 44-17 after three quarters.

"We weren't ready to play," head coach Erik Petyon said. "When you get down 12-15 points, it's hard to get out of the hole."

The Panthers outscored the Rockets 21-17 in the final frame, but it was too little and too late to make a difference in the outcome.

Rocket junior guard Chelsea Oliver led all scorers with 24 points.

Shelby Loney, the Panthers' lone senior, led her team in scoring with 14 points. Hannah Winters scored eight; Brooklyn Cotton added six; Andie Mills had five; Taylor Whalen scored three; and Erin Woolsey scored two points.

"We had a lot of turnovers where we didn't get the ball past half court, and they scored on most of them," Peyton said.

Both teams shot 50 percent from the free throw line. The Panthers made seven of 14, and the Rockets made 11 of 22.

Crittenden County improved to 4-10 with the win.

PANTHERS	FG	FT	F	TP
Loney	5	4	5	14
Winters	4	0	2	8
Al Mills	0	0	5	0
An. Mills	1	3	0	5
Woolsey	1	0	4	2
Cotton	3	0	2	6
Hendrix	0	0	1	0
Whalen	1	0	1	3
TOTALS	15	7	20	38

3-pointers: Whalen

Crittenden Co.	16	24	44	61
Panthers	4	11	17	38

Against Trigg County Peyton said it was a "very similar game" as against the Rockets.

"I thought we would be able to win this game," he said. "They had a couple of their better players out. Players that had hurt us the last time we played them."

The Panthers again didn't seem ready to play as they were outscored 11-5 in the opening period. However, this game wasn't going to be a runaway, as the score stayed about that margin until halftime when it was 20-15. However, another poor offensive output in the third quarter allowed the Wildcats to forge a 31-19 lead after three quarters.

"Turnovers and lack of rebounding hurt us again," Peyton said.

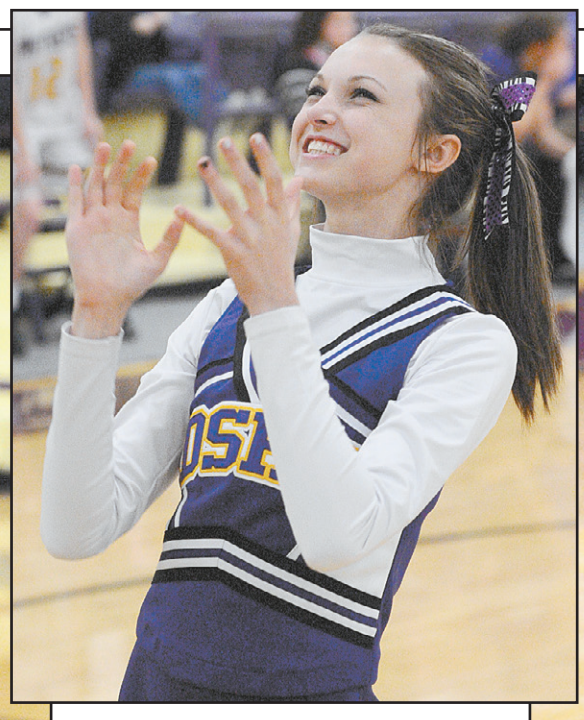
Andie Mills led the Panthers

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ERIN WOOLSEY (55) gets up a shot inside during action last week against Trigg County at Panther gym. The Panther girls have been busy, with three games last week and an All "A" Classic contest on Monday.
PHOTO BY MIKE HOWTON







Go Panthers!

PANTHER CHEERLEADERS (from left) Cameron Riley, Savannah Bean and Christina Hamby show their support for the local squads during action recently at Panther gym.
PHOTOS BY MIKE HOWTON

Boys Drop Games at North Hopkins, Livingston

The Panther boys dropped two more games during the past week to see their record drop to 1-13 on the season.

Friday night the Panthers traveled to Madisonville and faced the North Hopkins Maroons for the second time this year. The Panthers more than doubled their offensive output from the first game but still were soundly defeated 75-19.

"We just came out thinking we didn't have a chance," head coach Jeff Miller said. "We didn't come out playing well at all."

The Panthers had 32 turnovers and never made it to the charity stripe to try a free throw.

The Maroons, who didn't play their starters, led 22-5 after the first quarter; 38-9 at the half; and 54-16 after the third period. They also had very balanced scoring with 13 players scoring and none reaching double figures.

Tanner Adams and Austin Hart led the Panthers in scoring with four points each. Daniel Walker, Dylan Simpson and Schyuler Storms all scored three points. Kevin Brooks added two for the visitors.

"We just weren't ready to play that night," Miller said.

PANTHERS	FG	FT	F	TP
Walker	1	0	3	3
Simpson	1	0	0	3
Dyer	0	0	1	0
Adams	2	0	5	4
Jones	0	0	1	0
Hart	2	0	4	4
Price	0	0	1	0
Storms	1	0	0	3
Abbott	0	0	1	0
Riley	0	0	1	0
Brooks	1	0	2	2
TOTALS	8	0	19	19

3-pointers: Walker, Simpson, Storms

Panthers	5	9	16	19
No. Hopkins	22	38	54	75

The Panthers traveled to Livingston Central on Saturday and lost 70-31 to the Cardinals.

After a poor first quarter, the Panthers made a run at their hosts, cutting a 16-6 first quarter deficit to single digits before falling behind 30-17 at the halftime horn. The Cardinals took over in the third quarter and pushed their advantage to 51-24.

"The JV players (four of the starters) played the entire JV game before the varsity game," Miller said. "We wanted them to get a win and they did."

However, the full game took its toll on the Panthers in the second half according to Miller. "We competed until we got tired in the third quarter," he said.

The Panthers' Walker tied for game-high scoring honors with 14 points.

"Daniel came out attacking and playing the way I've wanted him to play all year long," Miller said. "Every time he had the ball he looked to be aggressive. That's the leadership role we've wanted him to show."

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TANNER ADAMS (22) pulls down a rebound for the Panthers during last week's game at Livingston Central.
LAKE NEWS PHOTO BY LOYD FORD

Job Jump At Louisville: Arrogant, Not Exceptional

Sports In Kentucky



Bob Watkins

Never, never be afraid to do what's right, especially if well-being of a person or animal is at stake. Society's punishments are small compared to wounds we inflict on our soul when we look the other way.

— Martin Luther King Jr.

Doctor King's words resonate still. And, all the way to my profession.

Sportswriters and broadcasters today have become fans, competing with bloggers and Eye Candy holding forth at ESPN. Dance tune? Money. Who has it, who's demanding more, who's the next kid who's going to get it and how soon. Education be damned and ball coaches shop for bigger jobs. Short of a now-and-then Who's Your Daddy from Sports Illustrated in 1999 and an occasional 30 For 30 on ESPN, talking heads are cool and imitation-worthy for local markets.

Last week, the word Omaha became the rage. Peyton Manning used the word in line-of-scrimmage cadence 31 times against the Patriots. Everyone was impressed. Word out of Manning's mouth raised $24,800 for his foundation. Noble undertaking, but a Pandora's Box precedent.

What do fans think? Well, business is business, man. Just look the other way.

Closer to home in Kentucky ...

Coaches. Believed-to-be honorable men affix their names to five-six year contracts, then bolt for more money and higher place on the pole. Many sports media stand admiring the ballet which is Process — guesses, clandestine meetings, rumors, flirtations, then blanket denials, then presto: A ball coach introductory press conference. The speed of Process is a fascination.

Charlie Strong, one year into an eight-year contract, left. Story line? Louisville's Tom Jurich became media darling for his skill and daring to rob a serial job jumper from another school.

Contract? What contract? Strong and Bobby Petrino neither answered to his fans (in Louisville or Bowling Green).

The job jump at Louisville was shamefully arrogant, but not exceptional. More shameful was that media marveled at $trong's the Jurich's process; then a Biblical spin — prodigal-son-come-home, accorded Petrino. His contrition was redemptive enough to look the other way.

On Strong's blatant defection and Petrino's rehabilitation, UofL president James Ramsey deferred to tail that wags this dog, Jurich. And why not, man's a maestro with spin.

Fans? Those who buy tickets deserved a report on Strong's penalty pay, how much and when UofL is compensated and what happens to the money. And details on Petrino's deal, incentives to behave.

Petrino and Western? Likelihood of this ball coach facing Hilltopper fans being accountable on principle were laughably remote.

Lexington area?

Talk shows on in, sports journalism around University of Kentucky is pep rally and dog-and-pony show (UK officials call it Media Opportunity). Questions? I no longer attend, but from transcripts I see, they range from "Hey Cal, how good do you feel about Julius's cramp issues?" to "Cal, is this team improving to your expectations?"

Maybe fans might like to know: "How was it Arkansas was able to make a team infinitely more talented play at (coach) Mike Anderson's tempo?" or "Isn't blocking out on perimeter shots a fundamental kids (in Kentucky) learn in junior high?"

With few exceptions, media around UK are openly fraternal with our pal Cal.

Fans? What about 'em? Business is business, man. Just look the other way.

News & Views

NEWS. Richie Farmer begins his 27 months in prison for "sense of entitlement" guilty plea in March.

VIEW. If he serves full term, Farmer will be near 48 when he leaves prison. Prime of life to make a new one. I wish him well. Maybe a book contract to help pay debts. But more important by a Cawood Ledford mile, reconciliation with his three children.

NEWS. Internet story headline said: NCAA's officials director says refs doing good job enforcing new rules.

VIEW. In fact, the number of phantom calls have increased.

VIEW II. The Referee story was accompanied by a photo (USATSI) for the ages. Find it. From the Kentucky at Arkansas game, referee Roger Ayers is getting an in-your-face plea from John Calipari. Kentucky's coach should have this one hanging in his office.

Comment: If you would like a copy, send your email address.

NEWS. Northwestern did what in Bloomington last Saturday?

VIEW. Here come those Wildcats! Now, if we can just get Vanderbilt on a roll.

NEWS. Eastern Kentucky scored a signature win in OVC play last week beating Belmont 74-63 in front of an EKU record crowd.

VIEW. Best part was reaction of EKU guard Corey Walden following the game: "That was the most fun I've had in a game in my life," he told reporters.

Comment: When's last time a player at Kentucky or Louisville said as much?

NEWS. More frequently these days Western Kentucky's Hilltoppers' point guard duties are going to newcomer Chris Harrison-Docks

VIEW. My candidate for college newcomer of year in Kentucky, Chris Harrison-Docks is a hard-nosed and gritty kid can't shoot like his dad did at Tollesboro, but he's got game and is an excellent fit. A freshman, Harrison-Docks is another "who knew" kid who should have signed at Western Kentucky, instead of Butler, in the first place.

NEWS. Last week, an Internet site offered a list of college studs who project to be NBA duds, included: Tennessee junior Jarnell Stokes and North Carolina's James Michael McAdoo.

An underclassman playing himself onto this list or another year in college? Willie Cauley-Stein at Kentucky.

Worth repeating dept.

Following Eastern Kentucky's win over Belmont last week, guard Corey Walden said: "That was the most fun I've had in a game in my life."

And so it goes.

You can reach Bob Watkins at sprtsinky@aol.com.

Polar Vortex Sends Water Temperatures Plummeting

Kentucky Afield

By Lee McClellan

Meteorologists called the recent cold snap that sent air temperatures plummeting to subzero levels all over the Ohio Valley a "Polar Vortex." Old timers used to call Arctic winds "severe cold fronts" or "freezes," but Polar Vortex sounds much sexier.

It froze the ground hard, burst water pipes, numbed fingers, increased heating bills and generally caused misery across Kentucky.

The vortex also sucked the heat from Kentucky's smallmouth reservoirs, sending water temperatures below the 40 degree mark for a time, a rarity for most Kentucky winters. The water temperature at Burnside on Lake Cumberland on Jan. 10 read 39.4 degrees, according to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers website. The water temps hovered in the low 40s on Laurel River Lake this past Monday.

The shad and alewives that live in reservoirs such as Lake Cumberland, Dale Hollow, Laurel River Lake and lower Green River Lake don't feel so good in water this cold. They twitch in stressful spasms and swim on their sides as they fight to survive winter's stress. The recent extreme cold created made to order conditions for the float and fly presentation. The colder the water, the better the presentation works.

Smallmouth bass suspend in the water column over points, channel drops or along bluffs waiting to pick off winter-stressed baitfish in January and February on these lakes. Large female smallmouth bass must eat now to nourish the eggs growing inside them.

"The small fly has enough action to trigger a response, but isn't a huge energy investment on the fish's part," said Jeff Ross, assistant director of fisheries for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "It is a perfect imitation of a thermally stressed shad."

The float and fly presentation is a fun way to fish. It brings you back to the early days of fishing with an older relative, intently waiting for a bobber to disappear. You'll need a spinning rod between 8 and 11 feet long and a spinning reel with a good drag. Many manufacturers now offer affordable spinning rods of this length.

The system employs 4-pound test line, but many float and fly enthusiasts use a spinning reel designed for heavier lines. The larger reel's heavier weight helps better balance the long rod and the bigger spool grants much more line capacity, imparting a little extra casting distance.

The term "fly" is a southern smallmouth angler expression for a hair jig. A bucktail jig with a pork trailer is called a "fly and rind" in the upper South. The fly in the float and fly is a two-inch long, 1/16- to 1/8-ounce jig dressed in either craft fur or duck feathers or a combination of both. The fly is suspended anywhere from 8- to 14-feet deep under a bobber.

Some anglers use specially weighted foam bobbers designed to turn on their side if a fat suspended smallmouth engulfs the fly and doesn't move, a common occurrence in winter. Others use a 7/8-inch pear-shaped hard plastic bobber, but these crack and become worthless if they strike shoreline rocks. A cracked bobber will slowly sink like a huge smallmouth engulfed the fly; a foam bobber that hits a rock just gets a dent and still floats.

Many float and fly enthusiasts spool their reels with 4-pound green monofilament or clear fluorocarbon line, attach a bobber and tie on a fly. Others use braided lines equivalent in size to 2-pound monofilament with a much higher breaking strength tied to a 3-way swivel. They tie a 4-pound fluorocarbon leader to an open loop on the swivel, tie the fly to the leader and clip on a bobber to the other swivel loop.

Proponents of this rigging believe the swivel and braided line grants more casting distance and gives the fly more action. Those who prefer just line trust one knot over three. Plus, adjusting the depth of the fly is much easier with this method.

Eight feet deep is a good depth to suspend the fly and adjust shallower or deeper as conditions dictate. Windy, overcast days call for a shallower fly depth while shimmering, bright days may require a depth up to 14 feet.

Cast the fly to a main lake point, channel drop or bluff wall and let the bobber ride the waves and impart action on the lure. Employ an overhand cast and allow the fly to hit the water on the back cast, providing slight resistance that increases casting distance.

On calm days, shake the rod tip and make the bobber wink at you in place to impart action on the lure. The erratic movement is what fools the big smallmouth into thinking your fly is a winter stressed shad. Reel the offering in about 10 feet and repeat.

The small V-shaped coves are overlooked smallmouth lairs on these reservoirs. Cast the float and fly right into the middle of these coves as smallmouth often suspend right over the cut in the bottom that formed them.

Craft hair jigs in combinations of sky blue, chartreuse, white and red work well for the float and fly, the blue and chartreuse combination works extremely well on Lake Cumberland. Jigs tied with the flank feathers of a mallard duck combined with strands of pink, red or chartreuse crystal flash excel in colder water.

Anglers often rub a petroleum jelly based scent known as dope on the head of their flies. Some trim their craft hair jigs to follow the bend of the hook and liberally dope the entire fly until it looks like a stick in the water. This works especially well on sunny, clear days when winter smallmouths are most finicky.

The float and fly out performs live bait when the smallmouth suspend in the coldest water of the year in mid-to late winter. The next six weeks will be the best time in several years to try it.

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Help Sought In Whooping Crane Shooting Probe

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources are requesting assistance with an investigation involving the unlawful shooting of a whooping crane near Pond River on the Hopkins and Muhlenberg County line.

Whooping cranes are the most endangered of all of the world's crane species, with less than 500 living in the wild in the U.S. Kentucky has seven whooping cranes wintering in the Commonwealth this year.

On Nov. 25, the International Crane Foundation received a report from a Hopkins County resident of a whooping crane that appeared to be injured. Initially, the wounded crane was still able to fly, but was extremely weakened, and was rescued on Nov. 27. Among other injuries, the crane's upper leg was shattered. Attempts to save the bird were unsuccessful, and the crane identified as 5-09 had to be euthanized.

That crane, which was identified based on its release year (2009) as 5-09, and its mate, known as 33-07, had arrived in Hopkins County around Nov. 14, where they had wintered the previous two years in the area northeast of Madisonville between Hwy. 85 and 254. Both cranes had been fitted with radio transmitters which led investigators to the remaining carcass of crane 33-07. This second whooping crane was recovered in northeast Muhlenberg County along Pond River north of Hwy. 70 on Dec. 13. Investigators believe both cranes, recovered five miles apart, were shot in the same incident.

A $7,200 reward is being offered to anyone with information that directly leads to an arrest or a criminal conviction of those responsible for shooting the whooping cranes. The following organizations have supplemented the reward fund in an effort to support the investigation: Kentucky Fish & Wildlife Foundation, International Crane Foundation, Operation Migration, St. Marks Refuge Association, Wisconsin Natural Resources Foundation, The Environmental Resource Network (Georgia), and Friends of Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, as well as a private volunteer at St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge. The reward fund continues to grow daily.

Anyone with information concerning the killing of the whooping cranes is urged to contact Special Agent Bob Snow at (502) 582-5989, ext. 29, or the Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources dispatch at 1-800-25ALERT (800-252-5378).

Fly Fishing Show Saturday In Louisville

The Derby City Fly Fishers will host the ninth annual Kentuckiana Fly Fishing Show this Saturday (Jan. 25) from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (EST) at the Fern Valley Inn and Conference Center at 2715 Fern Valley Road. Admission is $7. Active and retired military, and children 12 and under are free. There is no charge for parking at the Fern Valley Conference Center.

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Regional All "A" Classic champions advance to the state All "A" Classic tournament Jan. 29-Feb. 2 at the Frankfort Convention Center.





KAYLEE SIMPSON (12) and Allie Mills (00) put up shots during Monday's game against University Heights Academy in the All "A" Classic at Panther gym.
PHOTOS BY MIKE HOWTON

Girls Bow To UHA In Opener

Even though Dawson Springs High School is hosting this year's All "A" Classic Regional Tournament, the Panther girls took an early exit Monday night.

University Heights Academy, one of the top ranked girls teams in the region, knocked off their hosts 63-26 in the opening round.

"We came out and made some turnovers early," Panther head coach Erik Peyton said. "That put us behind 10 or 11-0 before we scored. After that we played pretty well."

With that poor start, the Panthers found themselves in a 21-6 hole at the end of the first quarter and 44-13 at the half. The score was 59-19 after three quarters.

Shelby Loney, the Panthers' only senior — on a team with no juniors either — led her team in scoring with seven points. Andie Mills scored six; Allie Mills, Brooklyn Cotton and Taylor Whalen each scored three; and Erin Woolsey and Paige Hendrix each scored two points.

"It's not often I get beat by this many points and tell my girls they played well," Peyton said. "After that start, we played well. We moved the ball around, got a lot of open shots, and we knocked down quite a few 3s. We really played hard."

The Blazers' DeNayia Holmes and Lele Grubbs tied for game-high honors with 15 points each.

The Panthers made only two of eight free throws for 25 percent. The Blazers made 10 of 12 for a scorching 83 percent.

"We played with better fundamentals tonight than we have been," Peyton said. "We blocked out and rebounded. If we had played that way against some of the other teams, we may have won more."

In the other opening round game, Caldwell County defeated Crittenden County 66-36.

University Heights will play Lyon County Thursday at 6 p.m., followed by Caldwell County facing Livingston Central. Both games will be played at Panther gym.

The finals will be Saturday at 6 p.m. in Panther gym.

PANTHERS	FG	FT	F	TP
Loney	2	1	2	7
Winters	0	0	1	0
Al. Mills	1	1	2	3
An. Mills	3	0	1	6
Woolsey	1	0	1	2
Cotton	1	0	1	3
Hendrix	1	0	1	2
Mitchell	0	0	2	0
Whalen	1	0	0	3
TOTALS	10	2	11	26

3-pointers: Loney, 2, Cotton, Whalen

Panthers	6	13	19	26
Univ. Heights	21	44	59	63

Boys JV Wins At Livingston 47-42

A big third quarter propelled the Panther boys junior varsity basketball team to a 47-42 victory Saturday at Livingston Central.

The game was very close throughout the first half with the home Cardinals leading 9-8 after the opening period. The Panthers came back to tie the game at 21 at halftime.

In the pivotal third quarter, the Panthers outscored their hosts 15-8 to pull in front 36-29 entering the final frame. Dylan Simpson poured in nine points for the Panthers during the third on his way to a game-high 23 points.

Austin Hart scored seven for the Panthers; Hunter Dyer scored six; Tanner Adams and Justin Putman each had four; Kevin Brooks scored two; and Dakota Jones scored one point.

The Panthers made 23 of 35 free throws for 66 percent with Simpson making 11 of 13. Livingston Central made 14 of 29 for 48 percent.

The junior varsity boys don't play again until Jan. 28 when they face Union County at Panther gym.

Girls Junior Varsity Beats Crittenden

Balanced scoring for the Panther girls junior varsity led to a 33-26 home win Jan. 14 over Crittenden County.

The Panthers led at the end of each quarter stop but had to hold off a second-half charge by the Rockets to gain the victory.

Andie Mills led the Panthers in scoring with 10 points. Brooklyn Cotton scored seven; Marissa Coyazo added six; Tayler Whalen scored four; and Erin Woolsey and Paige Hendrix each scored three points.

The Panthers led 9-4 after the first quarter and 13-8 at halftime. The Rockets trimmed the lead to two points at 19-17 entering the final quarter, but the Panthers outscored their visitors 14-9 to hang on for the win.

Trigg Takes Girls JV Tilt

Andie Mills scored a game-high 16 points for the Panthers junior varsity girls Thursday night at Panther gym, but it wasn't enough as Trigg County won 36-29. The Wildcats had to hold off a late run by the Panthers to hold on for the win.

The Panthers' offense almost didn't show up in the first half as the Wildcats led 11-0 after the first quarter and 17-3 at the half. The score stayed about the same after the third quarter with the Panthers facing a 27-12 deficit entering the fourth quarter.

Andie Mills poured in 10 points in the last quarter to help the Panthers close the gap.

Also scoring for the Panthers were: Allie Mills and Taylor Whalen with four points; Ashton Mitchell and Kaylee Simpson each scored two; and Brooklyn Cotton scored one point.

The girls junior varsity will play Whitesville Trinity at home Jan. 27 and will travel to Hopkins County Central on Jan. 28.

Youth League Schedule Set

The youth basketball league at Dawson Springs has released the schedule of games for the upcoming season.

Games will be played during weekends at Dawson Springs Community School beginning Saturday.

January 25

8:30	Kindergarten/ 1st grade
9:40	Smiley/3-4 Cunningham
10:45	Mills/Kristen C.
11:45	Hunter/Butler
12:50	Mills/Thomas
1:50	Davis/5-6 Cunningham
2:55	Smiley/Butler
4:00	Davis/Stuart

February 1

8:30	Kindergarten/1st grade
9:40	Smiley/Hunter
10:45	Kristen C./Thomas
11:45	Butler/Cunningham 3-4
12:50	Kristen C./Mills
1:50	Hunter/Cunningham 3-4
2:55	5-6 Cunningham/Stuart

February 8

8:30	Kindergarten/1st grade
9:40	2-4 Cunningham/Smiley
10:45	Thomas/Kristen C.
11:45	Hunter/2-4 Cunningham
12:50	Thomas/Mills
1:50	Davis/5-6 Cunningham
2:55	Smiley/Butler

February 15

8:30	Kindergarten/1st grade
9:40	Mills/Kristen C.
10:45	Hunter/Smiley
11:45	Mills/Thomas
12:50	Butler/2-4 Cunningham
1:50	Stuart/Davis
2:55	Davis/5-6 Cunningham

February 22

8:30	Kindergarten/1st grade
9:40	2-4 Cunningham/Smiley
10:45	Kristen C./Thomas
11:45	Hunter/Butler
12:50	Kristen C./Mills
1:50	Hunter/2-4 Cunningham
2:55	Butler/Smiley
4:00	Stuart/5-6 Cunningham

March 1

8:30	Butler/2-4 Cunningham
9:40	Thomas/Kristen C.
10:45	Butler/Hunter
11:45	Thomas/Mills
12:50	Stuart/5-6 Cunningham
1:50	Hunter/Smiley
2:55	Stuart/Davis

Boys Fall To Maroons, Cardinals

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The Cardinals' Colton Ramage and Tanner Rodgers also each scored 14 points.

Hart came off the bench to score eight for the Panthers. Simpson and Adams each scored four points and Isiah Abbott scored one point.

The Panthers made 12 of 16 from the charity stripe for 75 percent. The Cardinals made 14 of 26 for 54 percent.

"The score got out of hand because our guys got tired and losts their legs," Miller said. "They took advantage of that."

The Panthers faced Caldwell County in Panther gym Tuesday in the opening round of the All "A" Classic. The score was not known at press time.

Union County comes to town Tuesday for a varsity/junior varsity doubleheader.

PANTHERS	FG	FT	F	TP
Walker	5	4	4	14
Simpson	1	2	1	4
Dyer	0	0	5	0
Adams	1	2	5	4
Jones	0	0	1	0
Hart	2	3	4	8
Abbott	0	1	0	1
Brooks	0	0	1	0
TOTALS	9	12	21	31

3-pointers: Hart

Panthers	6	17	24	31
Liv. Central	16	30	51	70

Girls Lose To UHA, Trigg, North

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in scoring with six points. Paige Hendrix and Ashton Mitchell each scored four points; Erin Woolsey and Brooklyn Cotton each scored three; and Shelby Loney and Hannah Winters each scored two.

The Panthers made only 12 of 21 from the charity stripe for 57 percent. Trigg County was a bit worse, making 11 of 22 for 50 percent.

The Wildcats improved to 3-11 on the year with two of those wins over the Panthers.

PANTHERS	FG	FT	F	TP
Loney	0	2	4	2
Winters	0	2	3	2
Al. Mills	2	0	2	4
An. Mills	1	3	2	6
Woolsey	1	1	2	3
Cotton	0	3	2	3
Hendrix	2	0	2	4
Mitchell	1	1	1	4
Whalen	0	0	2	0
TOTALS	7	12	20	28

3-pointers: An. Mills, Mitchell

The Panthers found themselves up against one of the top teams in the region when they traveled to Madisonville to play the Maroons.

"They are a better team than us," Peyton said. But he also said his girls "didn't quit on me" in the game "even when they were down" more than 30 points.

The Maroons led 18-0 after the opening period and 37-8 at the half. The lead ballooned to 49-13 after three quarters.

Andie Mills scored 11 points to lead the Panthers in scoring.

Sophomore forward T. Ayilah Sherman led the Maroons with a game-high 16 points.

Also scoring for the Panthers were: Allie Mills with three points and Brooklyn Cotton with one point.

The Maroons improved to 11-5 with the win.

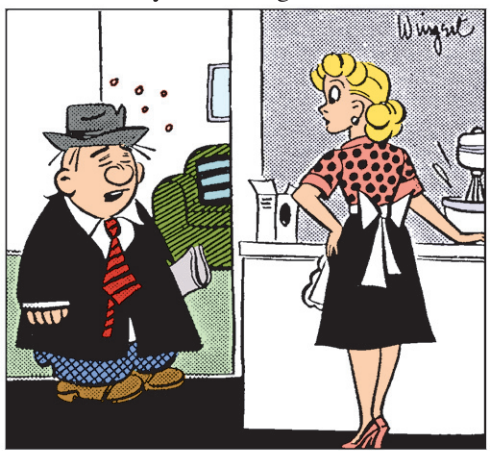
The Panthers host Whitesville Trinity Monday and travel Tuesday to Hopkins County Central.

PANTHERS	FG	FT	F	TP
Loney	0	0	4	0
Winters	0	0	3	0
Al. Mills	1	0	2	3
An. Mills	4	1	3	11
Woolsey	0	0	1	0
Cotton	0	1	2	1
Hendrix	0	0	1	0
Whalen	0	0	3	0
TOTALS	5	2	19	15

3-pointers: An. Mills, 2, Al. Mills

Panthers	0	8	13	15
North Hopkins	18	37	49	63

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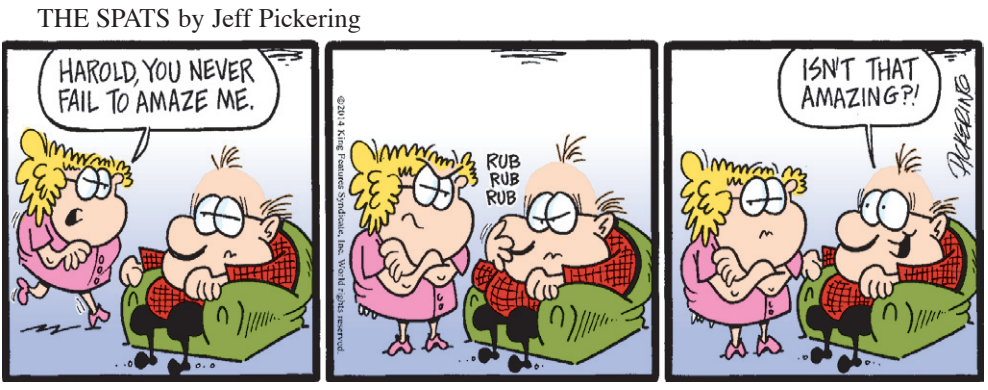
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LAFF A DAY

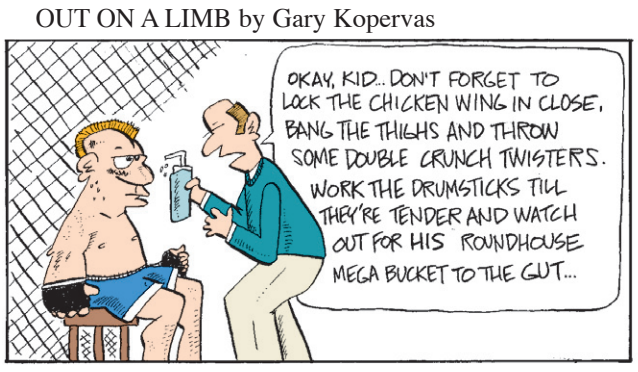


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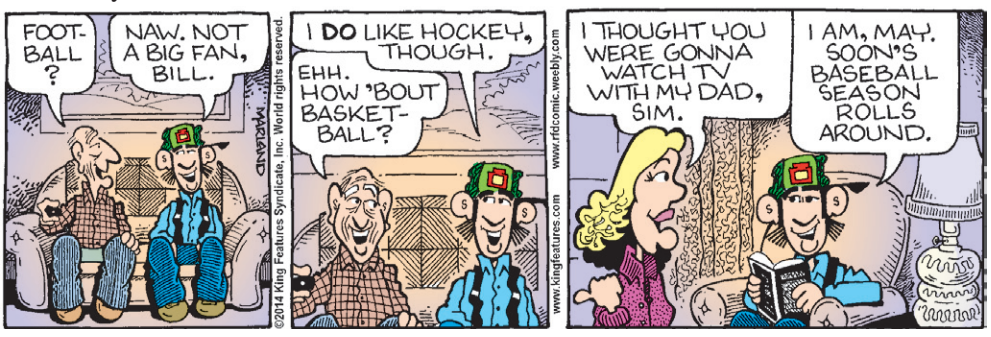


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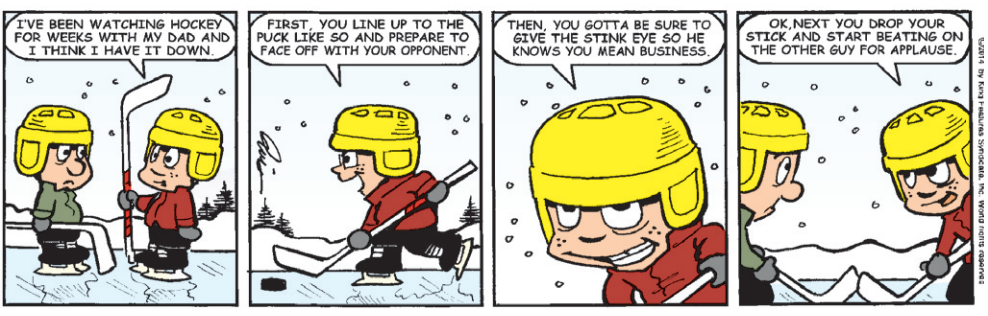


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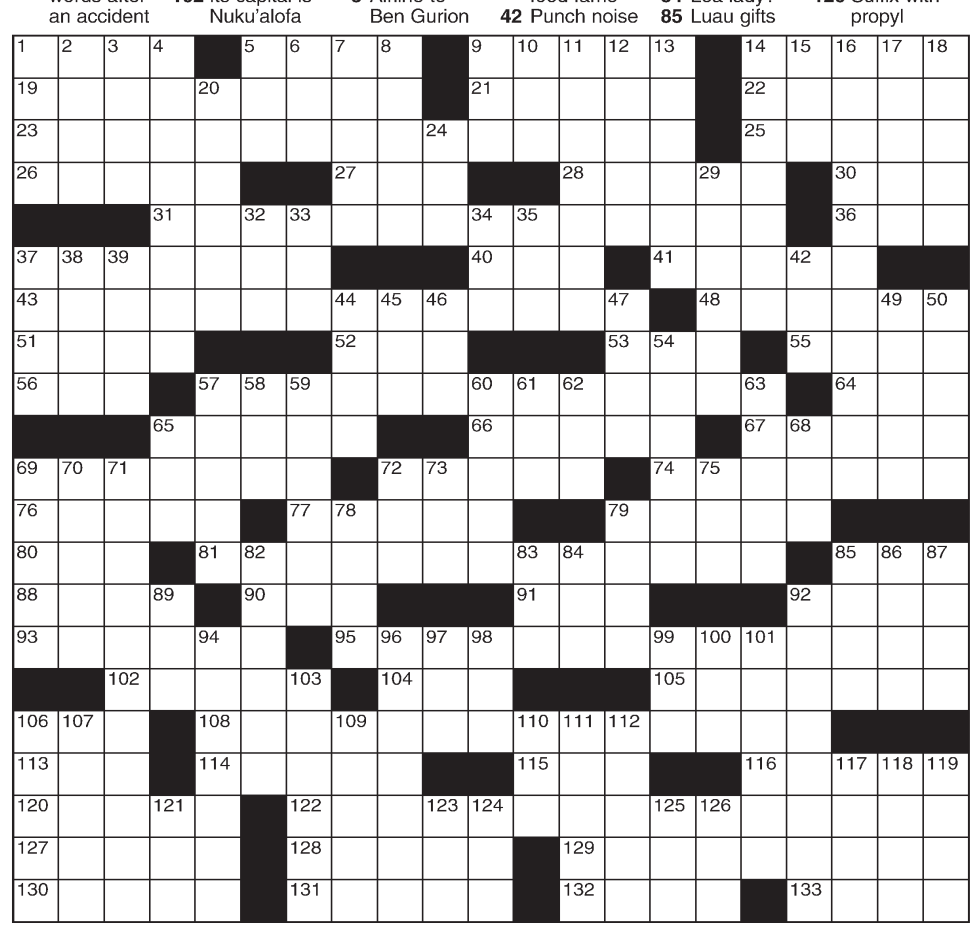
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22 Smith's tool
23 Out of character
25 Hard up
26 Barks in pain
27 Suffix with meteor
28 Without face value, as stock
30 Theologian's subj.
31 Not up on current trends
36 Take a whack
37 States north of Nebraska
40 Bauxite, e.g.
41 Pizazz
43 Applying to all
48 Ones going a-courting
51 Reassuring words after an accident
52 "... Mac — PC?"
53 Suffix with schnozz or Motor
55 "Come again?"
56 Brief moment
57 Past proper limits
64 Ending for opal
65 Bring forth
66 Union topic
67 Lower exterior part of a ship's hull
69 L'Oréal rival
72 "Nothing —!"
74 Finer in meaning
76 Taxing work
77 Construction beams with 90-degree angles
79 Buenos —, Argentina
80 Gold, to Julio
81 Loony
85 Drink like Fido
88 S-X linkup
90 Woodsy, e.g.
91 Have unpaid bills
92 Washoe County seat
93 "So long"
95 Irrelevant
102 Its capital is Nuku'alofa
104 "— for Cookie" ("Sesame Street" tune)
105 Awakens
106 Oom- —
108 Subjected to severe trials
113 Golf surprise
114 "Ad — per aspera" (Kansas' motto)
115 Co. offering a Buddy List
116 "The Family Circus" cartoonist Bil
120 Shah, e.g.
122 A bit ill
127 Shah, e.g.
128 Hen's resting place
129 Remove from a computer
130 Arranged for
131 Spanish for "others"
132 Challenge for a lab rat
133 "To be," to Tiberius

DOWN

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2 Theater area
3 Airline to Ben Gurion
4 Publication that's quickly thumbed
5 Add- — (peripherals)
6 Bus. rep
7 Arrive at, as a solution
8 Not masked
9 Stat of fuel efficiency
10 Gift for music
11 One peeking
12 Vowel string
13 Amateur
14 Italian Riviera city
15 Dayton-to-Toledo dir.
16 Way up there in years
17 Broader
18 In a foxy way
20 Enlarged map details
24 D.C. summer hrs.
29 Declaration
32 Holds
33 Suffix with 58-Down
34 "Woo- —!"
35 Momentous time
37 Speech spot
38 Peak
39 Ray of fast-food fame
42 Punch noise
44 Give a — (care)
45 Suffix with east
46 With 62-Down, rotten sort
47 Dumbbell
49 Extent
50 Handle the helm
54 Timmy's TV dog
57 Yogi of baseball
58 Inflated head
59 Lemon-hued
60 Be snaky
61 Sci-fi's Solo
62 See 46-Down
63 Tapered off
65 Prefix with diversity
68 "— a snap!"
69 Coagulates
70 Lash of Western films
71 Exempt from regulations
72 Pol Quayle
73 Municipal statute: Abbr.
75 Banquet liquid holder
78 Onion or lily
79 Help in crime
82 Beats (up)
83 Coal carrier
84 Lea lady?
85 Luau gifts
86 Bancroft of "7 Women"
87 Ollas, e.g.
89 Ida. neighbor
92 Casino game
94 Ottawa site
96 Quito's land
97 Autograph: Abbr.
98 Suffix with child
99 Easter eats
100 "— tu" (Verdi aria)
101 Oktoberfest dances
103 Maestro Toscanini
106 City of Light
107 Lexus rival
109 "To be — ..."
110 Rat-a- —
111 Dull
112 Justice Kagan
117 Figuring-out shouts
118 "Little House on the Prairie" shopkeeper
119 — Stanley Gardner
121 Otoscope-wielding doc
123 That, to Tito
124 ACLU issues: Abbr.
125 Oz musical, with "The"
126 Suffix with propyl



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by Linda Thistle

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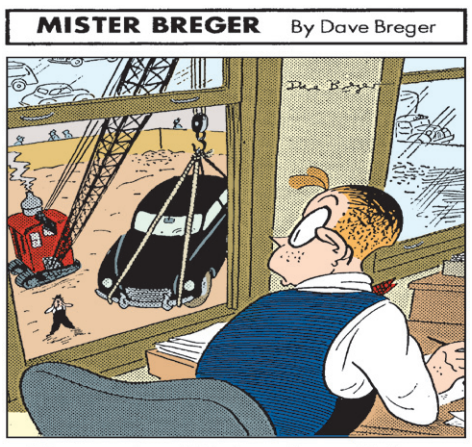
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TO YOUR GOOD HEALTH

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The Role of Sugar in Sugar Diabetes

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My husband is 6 feet 4 inches tall and weighs 170 pounds. He is a competitive distance runner. He loves Kool-Aid and calculates that in a year he drinks 150 pounds of sugar in Kool-Aid alone. A friend told him if he continues this habit, he might develop diabetes. Can a skinny, athletic person develop diabetes from consuming sugar? -- S.B.

ANSWER: Although "sugar" is half the name of sugar diabetes, sugar doesn't cause diabetes. It's a popular belief that it does, but it doesn't. People with diabetes are careful to watch their sugar intake, and they watch their total carbohydrate intake, but diabetics don't have to eliminate sugar completely from their lives. Careful monitoring of sugar and carbohydrate intake is essential for their control of blood sugar.

Type 1 diabetes, the kind that requires insulin for control, often has its onset in younger years. It's due to a destruction of the insulin-making cells of the pancreas. The destruction is believed to be the work of the immune system. Sugar has nothing to do with it. Type 1 diabetes accounts for 5 percent to 10 percent of all diabetes cases.

Type 2 diabetes, the much more common kind, comes about from a decline in insulin production along with a decline in the effectiveness of insulin. Ninety percent of Type 2 diabetics are overweight, and weight loss helps them control their blood sugar. Physical inactivity also contributes to Type 2 diabetes. So do genes. Again, it's not the sugar intake that produces this common type of diabetes. But monitoring the intake of sugar is important for control of this variety of diabetes.

The booklet on diabetes presents this illness and its treatments in detail. Readers can obtain a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue -- No. 402W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for $4.75 U.S./$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I think I may have the illness where a person pulls out clumps of hair. I'm not sure of the name. I find I do this after I have caffeine. I have been off caffeine for 25 years, and I do not pull my hair out. I thought this might be helpful to others. -- K.H.

ANSWER: The name of the condition is trichotillomania (TRICK-oh-TILL-uh-MAY-knee-uh). Between 4 million and 11 million Americans have it. It's called an impulse disorder. I hadn't heard about a caffeine connection. If this holds true for others, they will deeply appreciate your advice.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: You recently wrote that Excedrin with caffeine enhances pain relief. I believe that often the cause of headaches is withdrawal from caffeine. Another inference of this fact is to wean oneself from caffeine when trying to kick the habit. -- B.B.

ANSWER: You're right. One of the withdrawal symptoms from going cold turkey off somewhat-heavy caffeine consumption is headache, particularly migraine headache.

I'm right. Caffeine is a mild painkiller that increases the painkilling capacities of other analgesics when incorporated into the same tablet as those analgesics.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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TRIVIA TEST

1. LITERATURE: Who wrote the sci-fi novel "The Time Machine"?
2. LANGUAGE: What English word is pronounced exactly like its first letter, even though it's five letters long?
3. HISTORY: Which Russian leader introduced the policy of "glasnost," a greater openness?
4. FOOD & DRINK: What is Bardolino?
5. SCIENCE: What is the focus of agronomy?
6. LAW: What is "voir dire"?
7. BIBLE: Which biblical character ascended to heaven in a whirlwind?
8. MUSIC: What famous singer-songwriter starred in the 1980 remake of "The Jazz Singer"?
9. ANATOMY: How many wisdom teeth does an adult usually have?
10. MOVIES: Who played the devil-possessed child in "The Exorcist"?

Answers

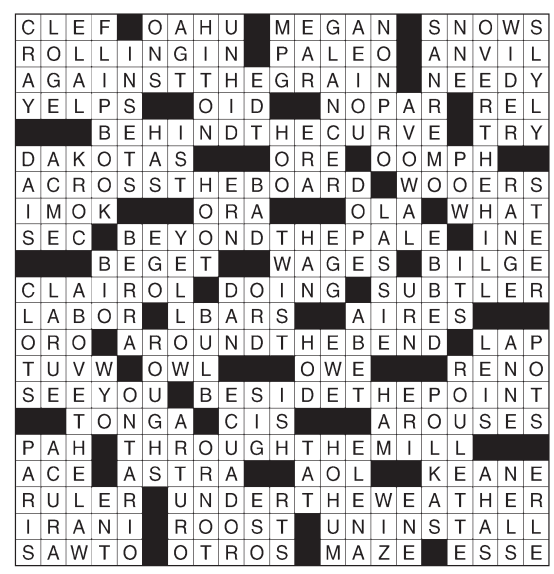
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4. Italian red wine
5. Crop production and soil management
6. Questioning of prospective jurors
7. Elijah
8. Neil Diamond
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10. Linda Blair

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ANSWERS TO THIS WEEK'S PUZZLES

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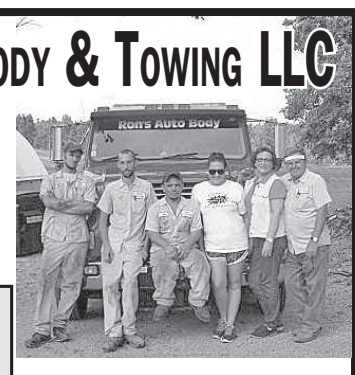
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The proposed changes to the DSM/EE program portfolio, if approved, will result in an increase in the charges calculated under the DSMCRM mechanism. The increase charges for all affected electric rate classes are as follows:

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KU projects that the monthly bill impact of the new DSM/EE programs and program enhancements will be an increase of $0.29 per month for a KU residential electric customer using 1,000 kWh per month.

This tariff filing may be examined at the office of Kentucky Utilities Company, One Quality Street, Lexington, Kentucky, or on Kentucky Utilities Company's website at www.lge-ku.com.

This tariff filing may also be examined at the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the Commission's website at http://psc.ky.gov.

Comments regarding this tariff filing may be submitted to the Public Service Commission through its website or by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

The proposed changes to the DSM/EE program portfolio and associated increase in the charges calculated under the DSMCRM mechanism contained in this notice are proposed by Kentucky Utilities Company. The Public Service Commission may order changes to KU's proposed DSM/EE program portfolio that may result in charges under the DSMCRM mechanism that differ from the proposed charges contained in this notice.

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Jaxon Stallins Celebrates First Birthday In January



Jaxon Paul Stallins, son of Kari Mason and Nathan Stallins of Princeton, celebrated his first birthday Jan. 16.

A party in his honor was held Jan 11. Birthday cake and ice cream were served.

Jaxon is the grandson of LaDonna and Glen Washburn of Dawson Springs, Stan Stallins of Owensboro, Tom Mason of Princeton and Jenny Thompson of Arkansas. He is the great-grandson of Lena Beshear of Dawson Springs.



DSHS CLASS of 1963 who attended a 50-year reunion in July are (front, from left) Ruth Buzzard, guest; Karen Workman Bowles; Anna McCord Johnson; Jane Messamore De Loach; Faye James Orten; Bonnie Allen Ford, former classmate; LouNell Morris Hensley; Sara Dixon Criswell; Rita Howton; Diane Back, guest; Philip Back, former teacher; (back) Carl Buzzard, former teacher; Leslie Fowler; Ken Perry; Winky Menser; Larry Blick; Wayne Redden; John Ausenbaugh; Larry Cluck; Joe Hopper; David Green; Ronnie Claxton; Carolyn Stephens, former classmate. submitted photo

50 Year Reunion Evjoyed By DSHS Class Of 1963

The Dawson Springs High School Class of 1963 held a 50-year reunion July 27 at Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park. Eighteen of the 29 graduates, along with guests, attended.

Following a dinner at the lodge, the group gathered in the Glover Room to reminisce and share stories from school days. Class member Larry Blick displayed a memorial in honor of the seven classmates who have passed away. Winky Menser, class president, welcomed everyone including three of the class' favorite teachers, John McClearn, class sponsor; Carl Buzzard; and Philip Back.



NOVEMBER students of the month pictured with principal Jennifer Ward are kindergarten, Jaxen Thomas; first grade, Sean Tapp; second grade, James Embry; third grade, Brooklyn Thompson; fourth grade, Austin McCutchen; fifth grade, Colby Johnson; and sixth grade, Makayla Bean. submitted photo

Pennyrile Homemkers Meet At State Resort Park Lodge

The Pennyrile Homemakers met Jan. 10 at Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park lodge.

The meeting was called to order by president JoAnn Edwards. The devotional was given by Ruth Buzzard who read "God's Chosen Ones," referring to Hebrews 12.

The members in attendance answered roll call by naming their favorite childhood snow day.

The lesson, given by Jeannine Moore and Lou Nell Hensley, was on planning for life's major events and financial planning.

A game of find the word was played. Martha Parsons won with all the words found.

Following a prayer led by Anna Lipford, the members had a buffet lunch and spent time in fellowship.

Those in attendance were Virginia Chaney, Charlotte Cooley, Doris Franklin, Joyce Garrett, Wanda Hughes, Sophie Logan, Edwards, Buzzard, Hensley, Lipford, Moore and Parsons.

The next meeting will be held Feb. 14 with Beverly Seibert as hostess. Everyone is invited to attend.



DECEMBER students of the month pictured with principal Jennifer Ward are kindergarten, Benjamin Menser; first grade, Ava Ward; second grade, Alana Harris; third grade, Gracie Davis; fourth grade, Avery Buntin; fifth grade, Emily Abbott; and sixth grade, Brennen Cunningham. submitted photo

Animal Shelter Hosting Soup/Sandwich Lunch

New Beginnings–Caldwell County Animal Shelter is hosting a soup and sandwich lunch to go on Jan. 30. A bowl of hot soup and a sandwich can be purchased for $5. A drink and dessert are an additional $1. Community involvement is encouraged, and anyone wishing to help with the food should contact the shelter in advance at 270-365-1000 or by e-mail at newbeginningsanimalshelter@yahoo.com.

Orders will be taken Jan. 29 and the day of the event. Both business and individual orders are welcome. Orders may be picked up between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. All proceeds go to benefit shelter pet health and wellness.

Other fund-raisers include the Kennel Klub, a branch of the sponsorship program with proceeds going toward spaying/neutering shelter pets prior to adoption. For $300 a year, any business, individual or group of individuals can become a Kennel Klub member. Members receive a plaque with their names or company name on it to display in their home or business and a matching name plate to be hung at the shelter on the kennel they are sponsoring. All donations to this program are tax-deductible.

Cans for Critters is an ongoing fund-raiser giving people the opportunity to bring their aluminum cans by the shelter for recycling. Proceeds will benefit shelter pet health and wellness. For other ways to support the shelter, contact New Beginnings.



UMWA LOCAL 5138 presented FRYSC with a $500 check for the Christmas fund. Pictured are (from left) Christy Winfrey, FRYSC program assistant; Bill Townzen; R.G. Johnson; Dianne Labrado, FRYSC coordiantor; Gary Sisk; and Donnie Parrent. submitted photo

B- B-Barbecue Region Launches New Web Site

The Bluegrass, Blues and Barbecue Region of Western Kentucky launched a new Web site Jan. 15 to promote the wealth of tourism activities in the area.

The site, at bbbregion.com, features a robust events calendar filled with the numerous events and festivals for which the region is famous. In addition, the site provides an abundance of things to do in the region — with a focus on the numerous opportunities for outdoor adventure — as well as places to stay, eat and shop.

Red Pixel Studios developed the site for the Bluegrass, Blues and Barbecue Region, which includes Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, Hopkins, McLean, Muhlenberg, Ohio, Union and Webster counties.

"With the redevelopment of our Web site, we were looking for an updated, modern design, as well as a cohesive identity for all our marketing outreach," said Beth Newman, director of the Greenville Tourism Commission and chairwoman of the Bluegrass, Blues and Barbecue Region.

Red Pixel Studios designed a new logo and a new color palette for the brand identity. The downtown Owensboro-based design group proposed that the travel-centric site be developed with a responsive design that transforms the layout and content for an optimal view on desktops, laptops, tablets and phones.

"With so many travelers relying on phones and tablets for information, it is absolutely critical that our regional tourism site looks good and is easy to use on these devices," said Tricia Noel, director of the Hopkins County Tourist and Convention Commission in Madisonville and the treasurer for the Bluegrass, Blues and Barbecue Region. "We want our visitors to be well-informed about all there is to do here, and the new Web site is the perfect guide for an unforgettable experience."

"We needed a site that can easily be managed by multiple editors," Newman added. "With a region that includes nine counties, we have a lot of information that changes often, and our new site gives us so much control over the content that we provide to our visitors."

"We are fortunate to be in a region with so many world-class attractions," said Noel. "We are really excited to have what we think is a world-class Web site to help attract visitors to our wonderful region of Kentucky."

Fifth Grade Poster Contest Targets Missing Children

The Kentucky State Police is calling all fifth grade students to compete in the national Missing Children's Day Poster Contest sponsored by the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. KSP will select one nominee from Kentucky to participate in the national level competition. The Kentucky nominee will receive an Award of Excellence from KSP and his or her poster will be prominently displayed at the Kentucky State Fair in KSP's Safety Town Exhibit.

Using the theme "Bringing Our Missing Children Home," the contest highlights America's united goal to bring missing children home safely. It provides teachers and parents with tools to educate children about safety and the prevention of child abductions.

The winner of the national contest will be determined in late April and will receive a U.S. Savings Bond and a free trip to Washington, D.C. to participate in the National Missing Children's Day ceremony to be held on or around May 21. The ceremony will be a time to recognize people who work to bring missing children home and to remember the children who remain missing.

"This is a great opportunity for Kentucky fifth grade students to participate in a national effort that promotes a child safety educational program," said Sgt. Michael Webb, commander of the KSP Public Affairs Branch, where posters from the commonwealth will be judged. "The poster contest and the educational activities that accompany it are designed to bring awareness to the number of children who go missing each year and serve as a reminder to both parents and students regarding the need to be aware of potential danger."

Fifth graders can enter the contest by submitting their posters to KSP Headquarters. Entries must be received by Feb. 18. A judging panel will choose a state winner and that entry will be forwarded to the Department of Justice where the national winner will be selected.

Kentucky entries and completed applications should be mailed to Kentucky State Police Headquarters, c/o Public Affairs Branch, 919 Versailles Road, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Contest guidelines and information are available at http://www.kentuckystatepolice.org/2014/bring_our_missing.htm or by phoning 502-782-1780.

LBL Grants Available For Educational Field Trips

Educators interested in planning a field trip to experience Land Between The Lakes (LBL) National Recreation Area "outdoor classroom" should apply now to receive LBL's Educational Field Trip Grant for the 2014-2015 school year. Application deadline is April 30, 2014.

Educational Field Trip Grants are available to public school districts within 100 miles of Land Between The Lakes. Grants assist schools in covering costs for transportation, facility admission fees, program costs, and dorm rental during the 2014-2015 school year. Grant amount awarded to schools is based on:

—School's matching funds

—Number of students

—Income level of families in applicant school (as represented by free and reduced lunch percentage)

—Programs the school plans to participate in at Land Between The Lakes

All programs are designed to support Kentucky State K-12 curriculum guidelines for science, social studies, and arts and humanities.

The grant program is sponsored by the Forest Service, Friends of Land Between The Lakes, Calloway County Homemakers, Bicentennial Volunteers, the Johnston-Hanson Foundation, and others.

For more information about the Educational Field Trip Grant, visit www.friendsoflbl.org or call 270-924-2091. Grant award results will be posted by June 30.